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ter).—The Lease and Lend decision of peace or war in this

Follette before the Senate

Bill would almost certainly be followed by despatch of troops to Europe. It increased the danger of the United States finding themselves

"The victory we should then want, namely the elimination of the power not only of the Axis but also of

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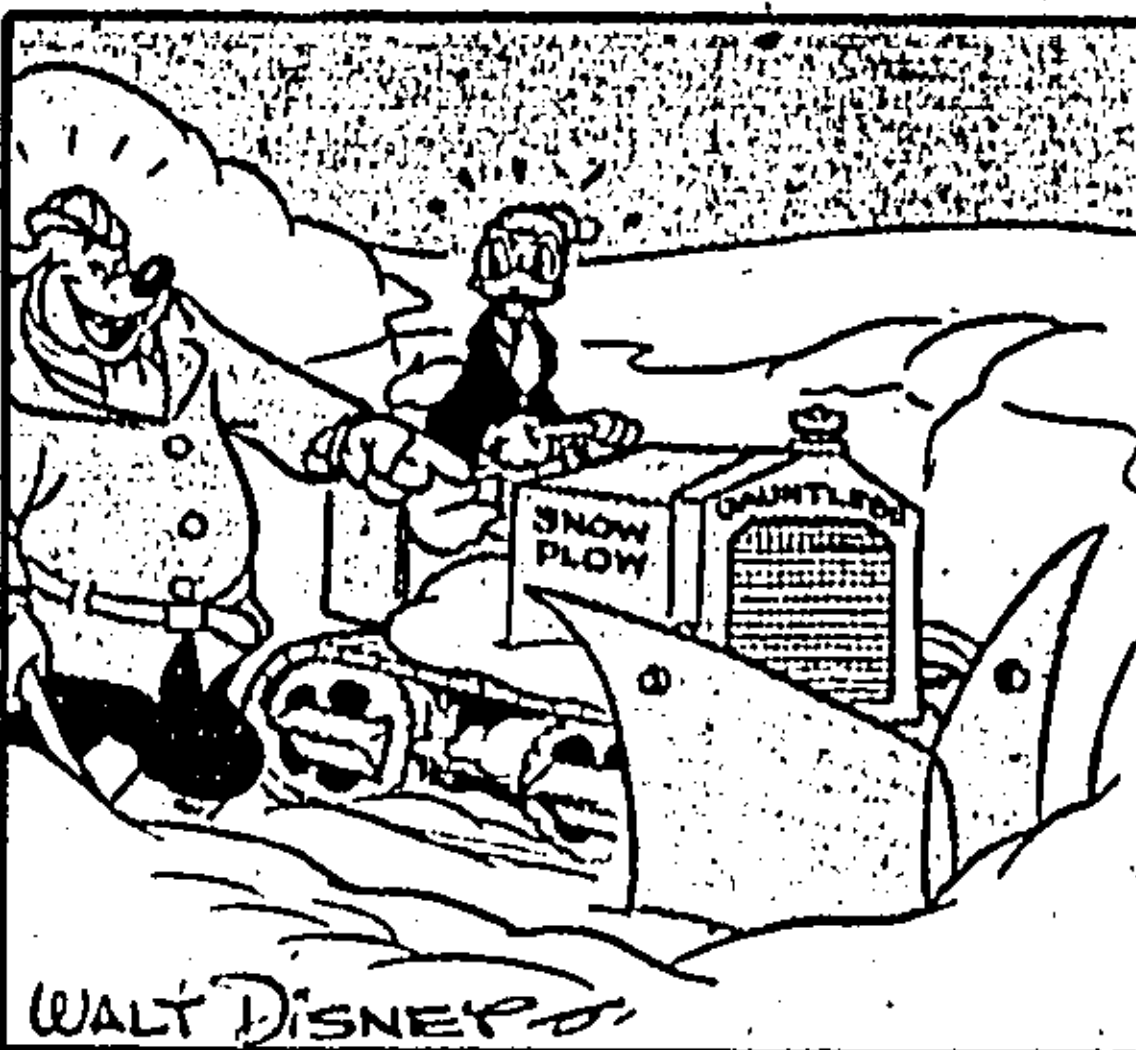
WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (UP).—Mr. Phillip La Follette, former Governor of Wisconsin, testifying before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee

Senate Foreign Relations Committee on the Lend and Lease Bill, of the possibility of "another Hoare-Laval deal, leaving the United States alone at war with the world."

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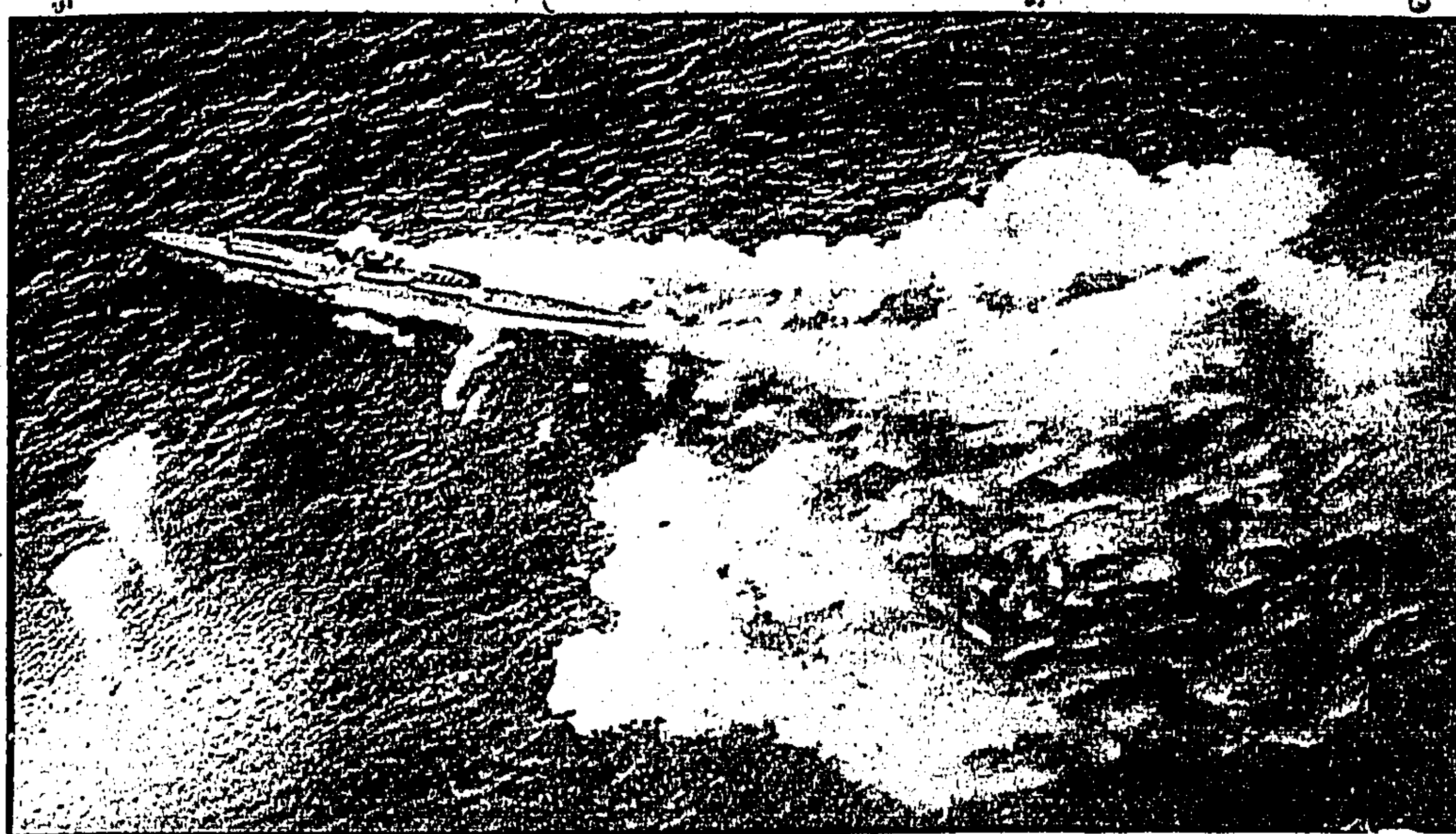
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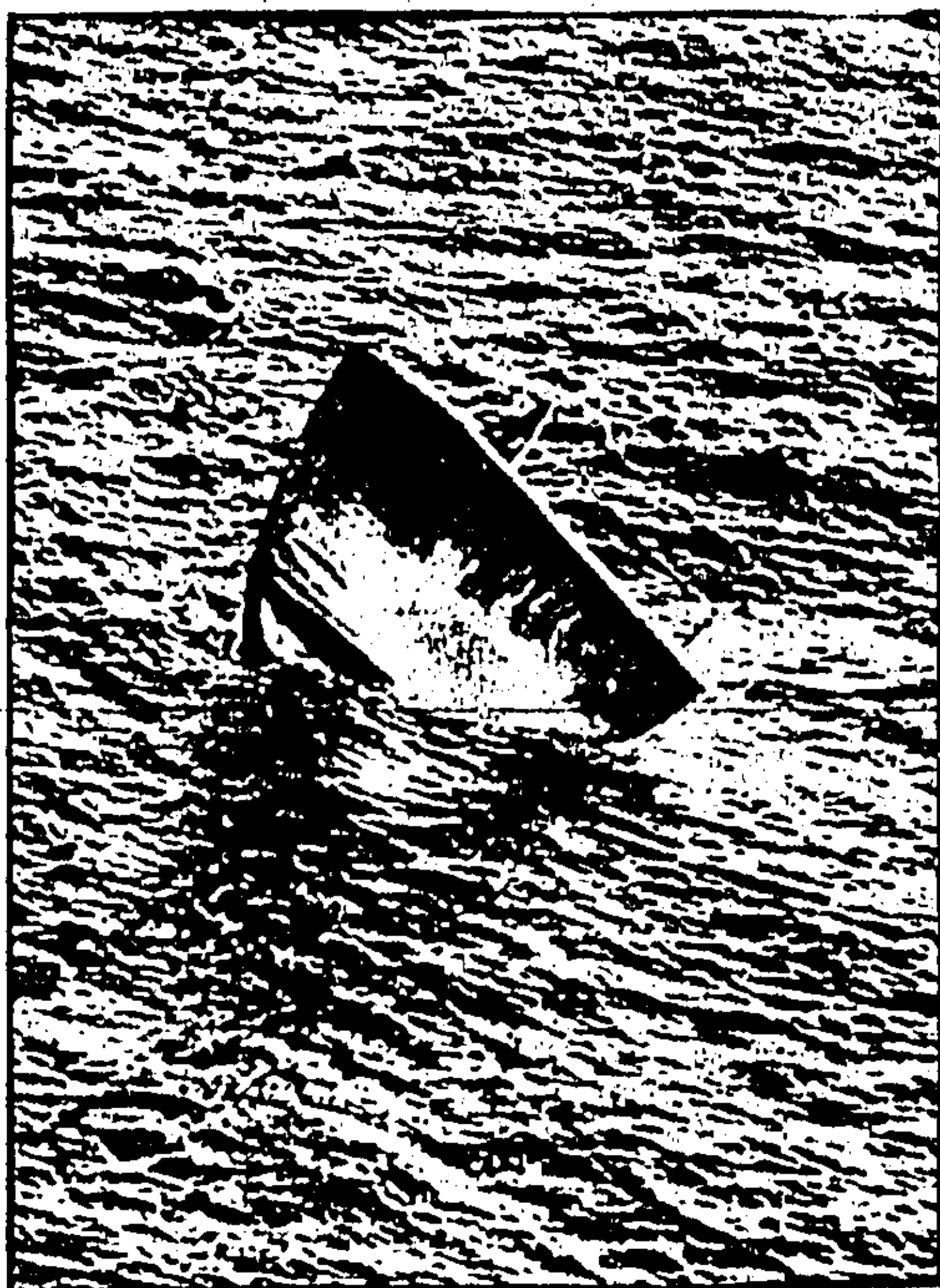


GIRLS busy knitting sea boot stockings are from the Beal Modern School, Ilford, and are billeted in the Government Camp School at Finsmore Wood Camp, Bucks.

THE HUNT WAS OVER—SHE WAS DOOMED



THE END of yet another Italian submarine is shown here. For hours she was shadowed by a British destroyer in the Mediterranean until forced by depth charges to come to the surface. In the lower picture she is making the final plunge after the "kill."



LEARNING TO USE a typewriter is just as important to some soldiers as learning to shoot. Canadians in Britain are attending a school of commerce so they can fill clerical positions at Canadian Divisional Headquarters.



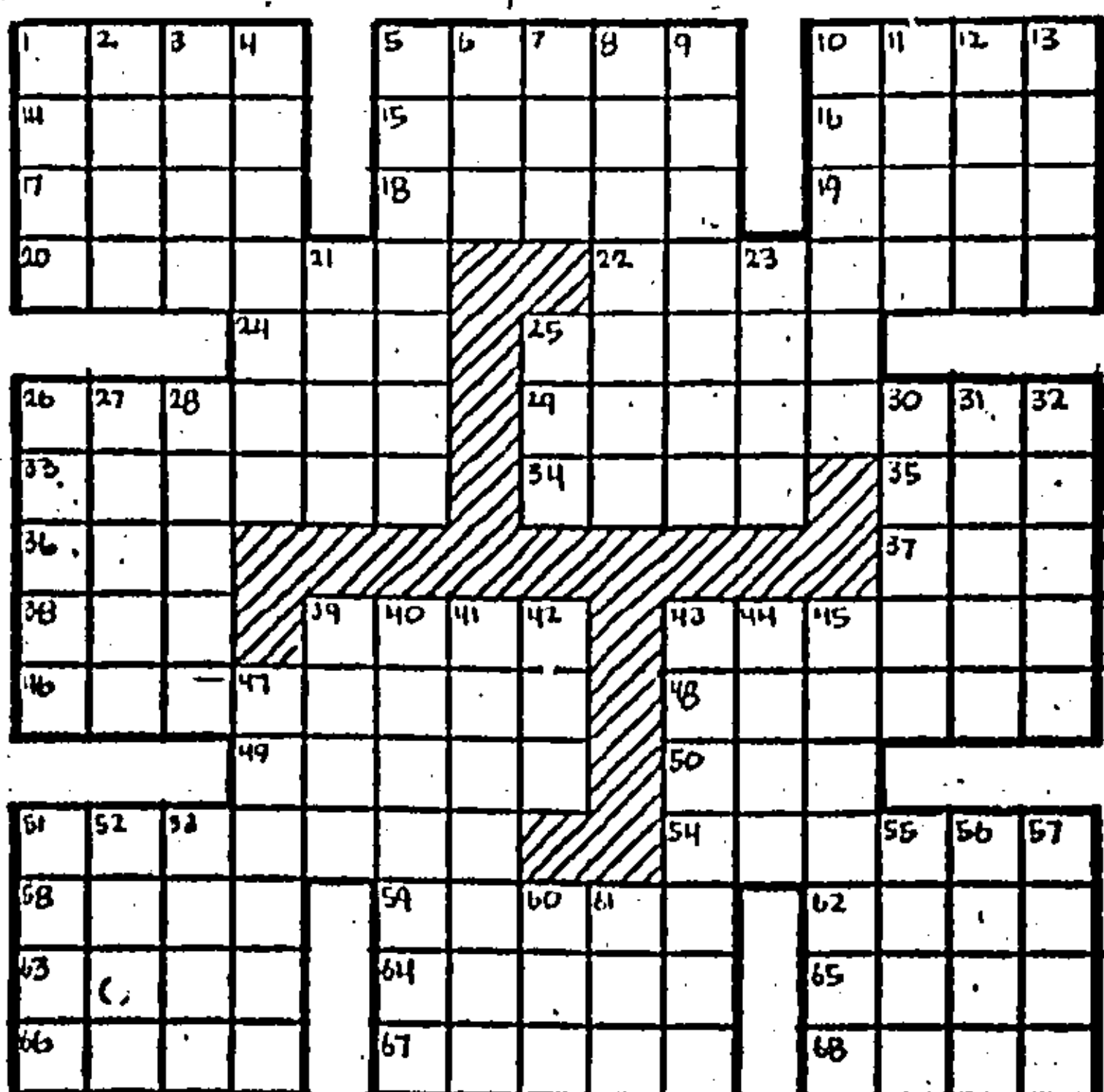
THE LORD MAYOR OF MANCHESTER (Alderman G. Harold White) firing the first shot when he opened a miniature rifle range at Withington, Manchester, for the training of members of the South Manchester battalion of the Home Guard. Firing with him is Captain B. H. Rothband, O.C. of the battalion.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS
1-Young salmon
2-Exclamation of anger
3-Medical plant
4-Gull's cry
5-Pathway
6-Blatant post
7-Famous singer
8-Woman's name in "The Raven"
9-Heater
10-Carpenter's tool
11-City in Illinois
12-Hold together
13-Melting snow and ice
14-System (abbr.)
15-Horn
16-Atmosphere
17-Craps
18-Nun
19-Don of Elmo
20-One who receives portion
21-Writer of essays
22-Deceitful
23-Blind plant
24-Night before
25-Thundered gallery
26-Organ of sensation
27-Was carried
28-Completed
29-Weary
30-To shelter side

DOWN
1-Dark cloth
2-Away from wind
3-Reddish brown
4-Tested
5-Having muscles
6-Animal's foot
7-Perfectly
8-Heavy rain
9-Complaint
10-Blow
11-Combining form: within
12-Consume by use
13-Unusual
14-Food regimen
15-Small worm
16-Slop
17-Fixtures
18-Thrown
19-Make used to
20-At no time
21-Gear-wheel
22-Front heroine
23-Oriental native
24-After
25-Note in Guido's scale (sol.)
26-Bill
27-Invited (nautical)
28-Turned aside
29-Assent
30-Trolley car
31-Part in play
32-Side of March
33-Very bad
34-Gaelic language
35-Plant spore
36-Speak
37-Before



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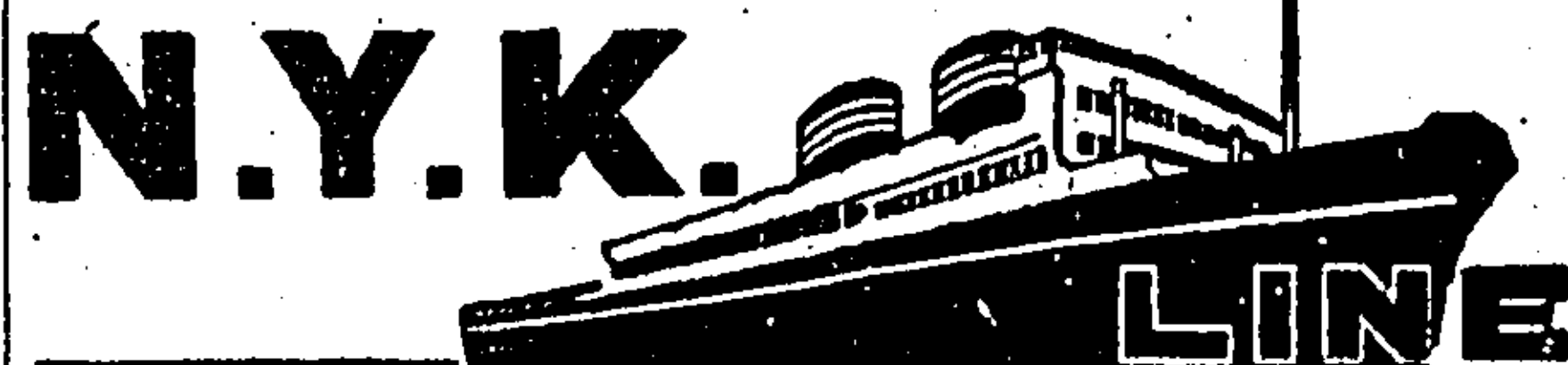
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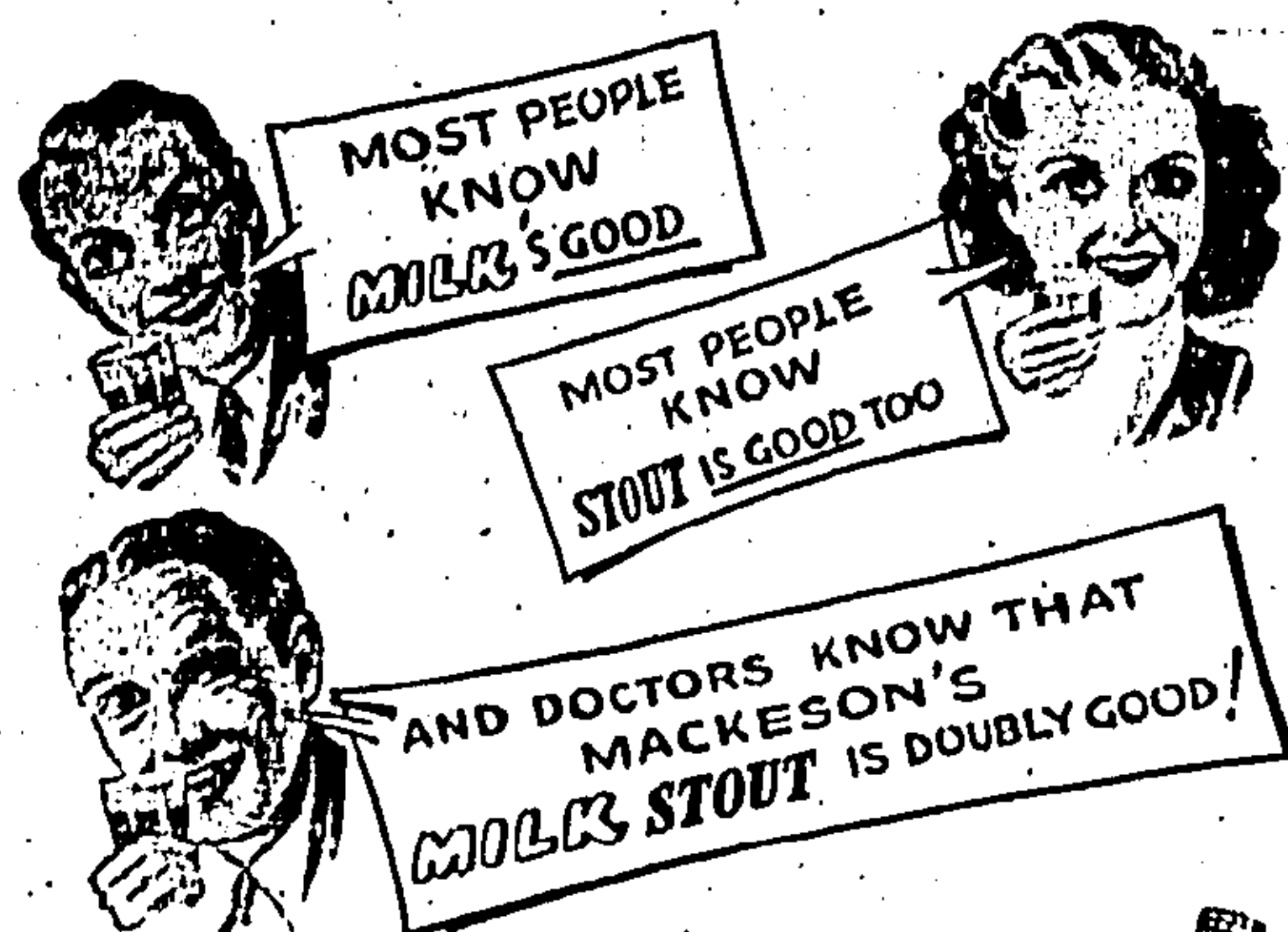
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SCIENCE-FRIEND OR FOE?

Present trials have caused some people to say hard things about science. Others are clamouring for science, and still more science, so that we may win the war as speedily as possible. It is a paradoxical situation, with which Professor Julian Huxley dealt in a broadcast recently.

It is useless, as well as unfair, to blame science for the troubles that have been inflicted upon the world by a small group of unscrupulous men in high places. Hitler and his kind believe that with new methods of scientific destruction they have the means to make themselves supreme throughout Europe, if not throughout the globe. That is the disease. Science, as applied by Britain and her allies and friends, will have to supply and apply the remedy.

We saw how the magnetic mine was speedily disposed of. The U-boat, by means of Asdic apparatus and other devices, seemed for a time to have been conquered. Now it has presented us with a new crop of problems, which doubtless will also be solved in time, as will be that other group of problems presented by the night bomber which unloads its cargo promiscuously upon our large towns.

In each of these cases Germany has an advantage by reason of her defiance of the laws of warfare and of humanity. It is for science to break her, and Britain has a body of scientists second to none. The main essential is that they should be given the fullest opportunity to develop their ideas, on which the future of our civilisation and our way of life depends.

In peace as in war it would probably be a great gain if science could be brought into more intimate practical relation with all ranks of the State. As Sir William Bragg has emphasised, much may be lost if science be treated by our rulers mostly as something apart, to be called upon only in times of dire emergency.

German military thinkers, says the author, who is the Military Expert of the "New York Post," know they cannot beat Britain directly in battle. Hand in hand with the bombings in the Midlands, the Axis plan now is to make the British use up men and munitions in the Mediterranean. That, he says, is

The Axis Grand Strategy

By FLETCHER PRATT

England is now in the most perilous position she has occupied since the beginning of the war. So are we.

The Coventry - Birmingham raids, the wave of submarine sinkings and the Axis diplomatic drive toward the Mediterranean are parts of a deadly dangerous offensive.

None of the three carries a threat to bring the British Empire down with a sudden crash as did the invasion nightmare of last summer. But that was always more of a Nazi hope than a practical possibility. Its fulfilment was based on the idea that Goering's fliers would be able to drive the R.A.F. from the skies over the Channel and the Royal Navy from its surface.

Before the war German military thinkers, such as Count Puckler, Fortsch, Haushofer and von Kuremburg were unanimous in warning their countrymen that they could not beat England directly in battle. She was vulnerable, they said, only because of the complicated web of her financial and industrial structure.

Seek To Divert Britain

The current German winter offensive is an attack on that structure. The drive in the Mediterranean is only the first element of that attack. It has direct objec-

tives—the oil of the Near East and seizure of the Mediterranean outlets. But in the field of Axis grand strategy, even these objectives are of minor importance. To the leaders in Berlin it does not greatly matter whether they are attained. Indeed, it is rather to their advantage that the Italians should be beaten. It keeps Mussolini from considering himself the equal of the big boss at Berchtesgaden.

The true objective is merely to force England to make a great effort in the Mediterranean; to expend quantities of men and munitions fighting the Italians. Germany can and undoubtedly will send forces to that area—probably through Bulgaria, possibly through Spain. But it is obvious how great Germany's gain would be if the

British were forced to expend 50 per cent of their munitions production in the East while the Nazis were using only 25 per cent of their own to hold the English even.

Drive On Industry

For the true objective of the attack is the British munitions industry; the second arm of the offensive is the direct drive on that industry in the bombing of the Midlands. Let us suppose for a moment that few factories were seriously hit at Coventry and Birmingham. Thousands of workers have nevertheless been left homeless, the essential services have been destroyed. This cannot but seriously affect factory production.

The worst feature is that the British defences have so far been totally unable to halt the attack. German losses during the raids were insignificant. The bombings can therefore be expected to continue and to increase in intensity. Meanwhile,

Germany draws on the factory production of an entire continent. Three weeks ago the House of Commons was told that Germany was turning out three times as much steel as England.

This means Germany is arming for the spring campaign of 1941 three times as fast as England; more than three times, since much of the British effort is going East. What direction that Nazi spring drive will take there is little present indication, and it may be the Nazi High Command has not even decided as yet. The only certainty is that there will be a big push and Germany is now labouring to cripple England's ability to meet it.

Outside Help Vital

American and Canadian war supplies of all kinds thus become daily important to England. This is where the third blow of the combined German attack falls—the air and submarine offensive against the ships ferrying supplies across the Atlantic. At present this is the most dangerous offensive of all. For it must have been evident to the British authorities for some time since, that they could not produce the machines of war on a scale to compare with the Germans.

The island of Britain is more and more becoming only a place of arms, an advanced base from which we, united with the other Anglo-Saxon peoples, are conducting our war against the dictators. We are too deeply in it now to get out short of victory. Unfortunately, our industry has not yet realized the position, and as Dr Fritz Sternberg has pointed out, England has so far received little more from us than Germany gained by capturing the mechanical industries of Belgium.

PRIVATE LIFE OF A PRIVATE

MAN TO MAN

Extracts from the diary of a journalist now in the Army.

"YOU may talk," says the Sergeant, "about Chemical Warfare, and High Explosive, and Aeroplanes, and Tanks, and Gas, and Death Rays, and any other ruddy things you like."

"But let me tell you one thing. In the end, it's the manpower that counts."

The lad from the Elephant and Castle, who is never at a loss for some back-answer, says: "Tanks."

"Oh, Tanks," says the Sergeant, and pauses ominously. You can see it coming a mile away—the Lad from the Elephant says: "Don't mention it."

"You horrible little man," says the Sergeant. "One more crack out of you and you go to straight in the hole as fast as you do—get to grips with the

your legs can carry you. Or faster."

"Tanks are like, say, a barber's scissors. You can cut down the big stuff with them; but for the fine, close cutting, you need clippers and razors."

"Tanks and so on are marvelous things. But let me tell you this. In a war there always comes a time when you've got to meet the enemy man-to-man."

"Besides, you don't occupy a place with tanks, but with men. So you go over: and that's where blood tells."

"I've seen men who lay under a barrage and laughed at it, breaking and running when the bayonets came."

"So we teach you bayonet fighting. You may never need crack out of you and you go to use it. Personally, I hope straight in the hole as fast as you do—get to grips with the

so-and-so's and settle it all quick."

"You may have heard that Jerry can't stand cold steel. Don't let that give you a wrong impression. Jerry is taught the bayonet the same as you."

"But you've always been better at it because you want to fight him with it."

"It's part of the British character. I've never seen such madness, such crazy enthusiasm as British soldiers work up when it comes to a bayonet charge. And some fellows say we're a nation of shopkeepers!"

"You'll spend hours and hours learning the bayonet, which you may never need to use. If you do use it you'll only be in action with it for a matter of minutes."

"But minutes like that win a war."

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"So when I say 'On Guard!' I want to see your rifle fly up. I want to see your left arm slightly bent, and your fingers go white round the small of the butt, and a determined expression on your faces."

"And give that dummy hell! Go through it! Left arm forward, right arm against the butt—it's the boxing attitude, get it?—and boxing is an Englishman's sport."

"And when I say 'Point!' let me see those pig-stickers jump forward so fast that my eye can't follow them! Just a three or four-inch jab in the throat is all any man needs."

"Now, On Guard! As you were. On Guard! As you were. ON GUARD! Better. Now. Point and remain! As you were."

"Smarter yet—point and remain! Better. Withdraw and remain! Pass through."

The lad from the Elephant says: "Ow can you see our bayonets jump forward so fast your eye can't follow them? If your eye can't follow them..."

He catches the Sergeant's eye and shuts up.

When Is An Alien Not An Alien?

WHEN is an alien not an alien? While he is a member of His Majesty's Forces, or of an Allied force engaged in war on the side of Britain, or a foreign force maintained for service in association with Britain.

An Order in Council has been issued to this effect, but power is reserved for the Home Secretary to modify it if necessary.



THE YANKS ARE HUMMING!

ANGELS OF WAR —1940 VERSION

Every war has its legends—tales of bravery, treachery and mysterious happenings. A story of 1914, first told in all sincerity by a group of British soldiers, became a legend of the Great War. Now 1940 has brought a similar story, from civilians in a Sussex village.

When British troops were retreating from Mons in August, 1914, a group of weary soldiers had a vision.

They saw St George, with attendant angels, interposed between the advancing Germans and the British. Many men who took part in the retreat asserted that they had seen the Heavenly company, who, they said, had saved our troops from destruction.

The story spread. Others claimed to have had a similar vision. Thus the Angels of Mons became a Great War legend.

Shepherd's Vision
Now villagers of Firle, in Sussex, claim to have seen a vision which they declare is an omen of British victory in this war.

Mr Fowler, a shepherd, was watching his flock on the hills above Lewes. Then, he says, this happened:

A white line slowly spread across the sky. From it appeared the vision of Christ crucified on the Cross. Then six angels took form. They had long white wings, and one was playing a harp.

The apparition lasted two minutes, then faded.

Mr Fowler ran to the village to tell of what he had seen, and found that several other people had also watched the apparition.

Briton Faces Trial In Shanghai

Shanghai, Feb. 3.
A Briton named Hawkins was arrested at 12.20 a.m. to-day and charged in the British Police Court this morning with operating gambling establishments in Seymour Road and the Burlington Hotel, both of which were closed some days ago.

Hawkins pleaded not guilty and was released on bail when the hearing was adjourned.

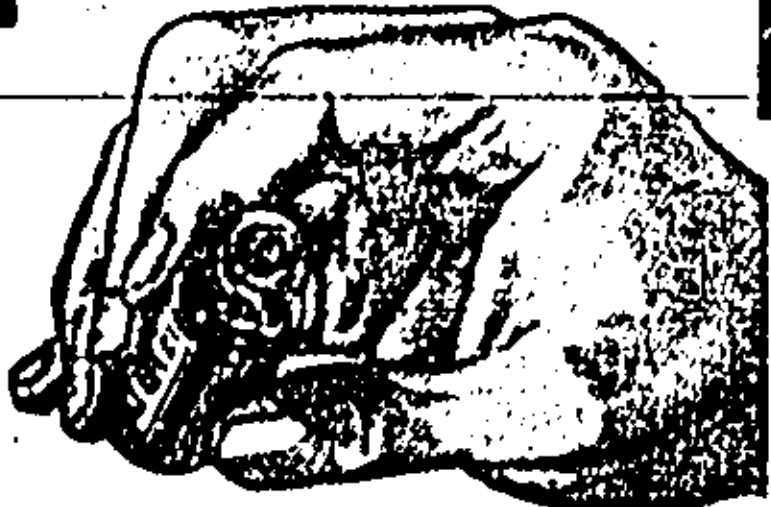
Police evidence alleged that on January 24 they visited the Burlington Hotel where a gambling den had been established in one of the rooms. It had been closed before their arrival, but they saw gambling equipment in the hotel storeroom. Later they arrested 16 Chinese who testified that Hawkins and a man named Ning Wen-yuan were operators of the establishment.

When charged Hawkins said nothing and he was not represented by counsel at the Court hearing.—United Press.

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Emilio Matteotti, "The Man Mussolini Fears," has arrived in London after a dramatic escape from Lipari, Fascist Devil's Island.

He is a brother of Giacomo Matteotti, the Socialist leader whom Mussolini put to death, and whom he has sworn to avenge "with the blood of the Duce."

Emilio was arrested by Mussolini's orders when he denounced the Duce as the murderer of his brother, and publicly took oath to assassinate him.

Provoking Revolution
Safe in Britain, Emilio Matteotti is now engaged in organising an international movement for all anti-Fascist Italians with the object of provoking revolution against Mussolini.

"I cannot give the details of my escape for fear of incriminating some who assisted me. It followed nearly a year of cautious planning," he said. "If my escape had been postponed two weeks I could never have got away as all Greek ships would have been the prey of the Italians on the open sea. They would not have given me a dog's chance."

Australia Claims Oldest Tree

Australia claims the world's oldest tree. It is known as "Old Peter," and is found in the tropical forest to the north of Queensland, which abounds in strange things.

The age of the plant has been set down as 15,000 years.

"Old Peter" is a giant macrozamia palm growing on the summit of Tambourine Mountain, in the southeast corner of Queensland.

The State which holds it also provides another puzzle for the botanists. It is a group of Antarctic beeches, recently discovered growing on the summit of a peak in the Macpherson Range, one of the highest mountain chains in Queensland.

Remnants of Ice Age
The Antarctic beeches are held to be remnants of the forest growths of the last Ice Age and they are said to get their name from the fact that Antarctic explorers have found fossils of the trees amidst the blizzard-swept icy wastes of the Far South. To-day, it appears, the beeches are found growing in only two regions in the world, Queensland, a place of tropic heat, and Tierra del Fuego, where the climate moves to extreme of cold.

Botanists have long puzzled over the presence of the trees in Queensland, and some hold them relics of times when the country was just emerging from the glacial age.

One Man In Tank Beats 14 Planes

A sergeant of a famous Hussar regiment, on patrol in an armoured car, fought a lone battle with 14 Italian fighter planes. He shot one down and drove the others off.

The encounter took place while he was patrolling the borders of the Libyan Desert.

Machine-Gunned
First, two Italian fighters, diving low, machine-gunned him.

He replied with his Bren gun and returned the fire.

Then 12 more Italian fighters appeared, firing their machine guns and dropping bombs.

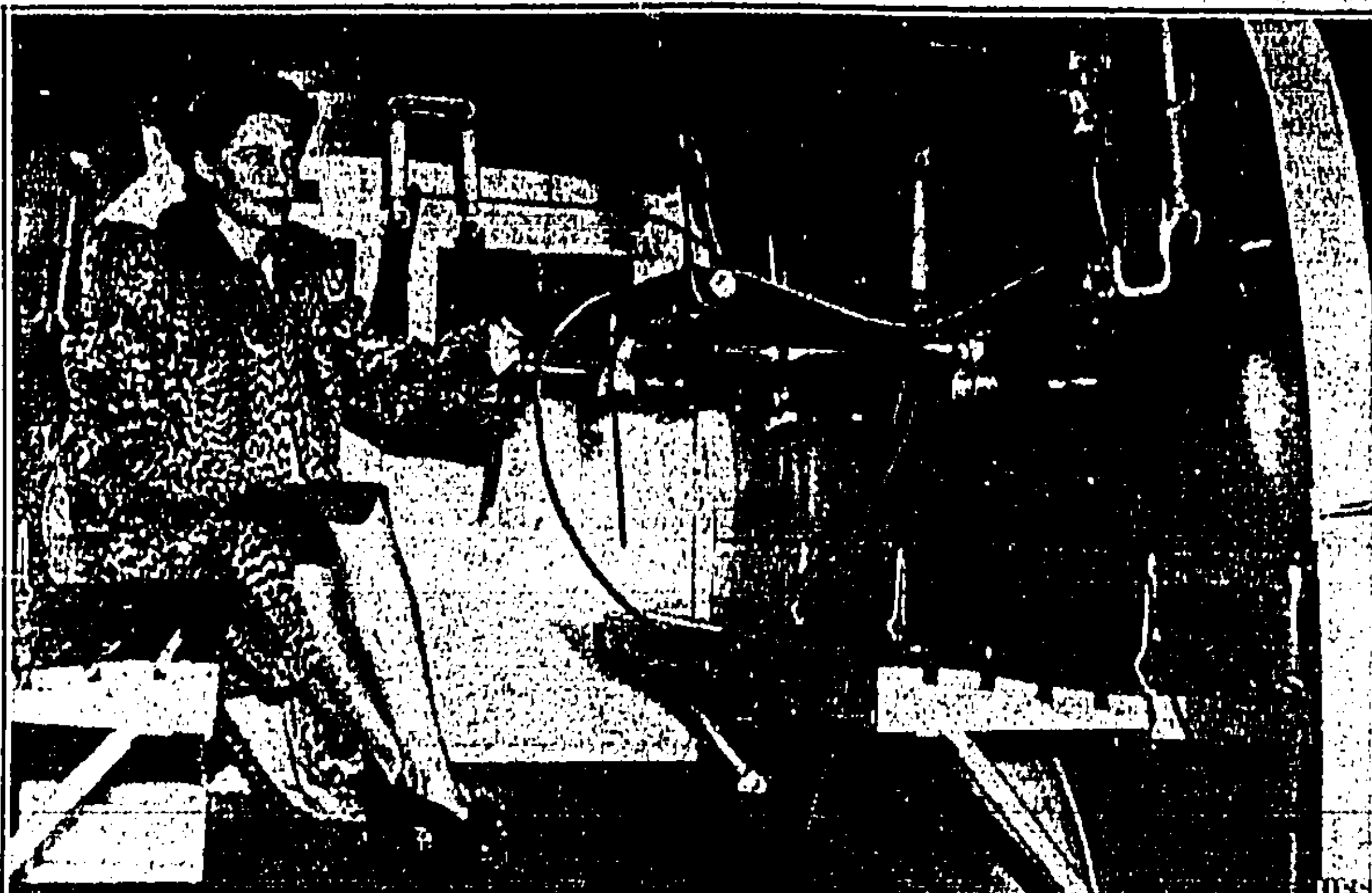
One bomb fell 30 yards away from the armoured car, tearing off the base sumo and bringing the car to a standstill.

One Crashed
But the sergeant went on blazing away with his Bren gun at the attackers.

He hit one Italian machine of the Breda class, which crashed. The others then fled.

The pilot of the shot down plane was found to have had two bullets through his head.

UNIVERSITY LECTURE
Dr F. C. Yen, former Director of the Chinese National Health Administration, will give a lecture on "Medical Reconstruction in China" on February 7 at 8.30 p.m. in Room "K" of Hong-kong University.



ALICE'S AMBULANCE—By speech-making, Alice Marble, women's world tennis champion, raised money to buy this "Alice Marble Wimbledon Special Ambulance," shown in New York, to go to England. Now she heads British-American sports committee in drive for ambulance planes.

Nazi Oppression Told By Rumanian Refugee

Fleeing from brutal Nazi influences in Rumania, a middle-aged Rumanian building contractor, his wife and six-year-old daughter arrived in Singapore by air recently.

On his way to settle down with his brother in Australia, the refugee told a reporter that when he left Rumania in November there were thousands of Nazi troops in the country, dictating martial law.

"I left because of their brutal methods," he declared.

He added that the shortage of foodstuffs in Germany was apparent when the Nazi troops entered Rumania. The invaders took "everything they could lay their hands on."

"They'll soon be starving though," he said.

An eye-witness of the earthquake that wrought havoc at many centres of the country, the refugee stated that hundreds were killed and numerous buildings reduced to ruins.

Youngsters "Led Astray"
Speaking of the Rumanian attitude to the Nazis, he said that the older citizens were definitely anti-Nazi while the youngsters had been "led astray" by tempting, but false, promises.

He added that Rumanian leaders who had protested against the country's attitude toward Germany had been killed, and asked the reporter not to divulge his name as he still had relatives in Rumania.

Jury Go Home For Week-End New Rule

At the Old Bailey recently, when the trial of Mrs Florence Iris Ouida Ramsom, 35, who was accused of the murder of Mrs Dorothy Sanders Fisher, 46, at Matfield, near Tonbridge, Kent, on July 9, was adjourned from a Saturday until Monday, the jury, under a new regulation, were, for the first time in the history of the Criminal Criminal Court, allowed to separate and go to their respective homes instead of being locked up together at a City hotel, as had hitherto been the custom with juries engaged on murder trials.

This provision, it is understood, has been introduced owing to the air raids.

B.B.C. BANS ENEMY MUSIC

German songs and music are to be banned from B.B.C. programmes. Incorporated Society of Musicians have objections on economic grounds, and the B.B.C. have agreed to delete these programmes any music by which Germany or Germans might benefit.

Mr. Ralph Hill, the B.B.C. music controller, said: "With the possible exception of Wagner, the great German composers of the past would doubtless be the first to decry the present regime of oppression in Germany."

Counsel Repays Man Who Saved His Life

DEFENDING a boy of 16 who was charged at Chelmsford recently with stealing Mr Frederick Levy, the barrister said:

"A bomb fell on the Temple, in London, and I was buried. I was dug out and the man who saved my life, a fireman, is the father of the boy I am pleading for."

"I feel I owe it to him to do all I can for his son, who may turn out to be as good a man as his father."

The boy was placed on probation.

ROBESON SUES RESTAURANT

Paul Robeson, Negro singer and eight others, three of whom are Negroes, charged racial discrimination in a suit demanding \$22,500 damages from a San Francisco restaurant. The suit said the restaurant, Vanessa's, refused to serve them.

FITNESS CORPS FOR YOUTH

Britain intends to form a nation-wide Youth Service Corps so that young people of from 14 to 20 may play their part in the national effort by taking up fitness training.

The scheme is sponsored by the Board of Education and outlined in a circular to local authorities.

Mr H. Ramsbotham, President of the Board of Education, declares: "There is no Hitler Youth idea contemplated, and no question of regimentation or militarisation."

He aims at a corps of co-ordinating local units organised and run by the young people themselves.

War Office Helps
The War Office is co-operating by the release of key men who before the war were employed as physical training organisers and leaders, and in the provision of instructors for local centres.

Already about 100 are being released. The Inspector of Physical Training at the War Office is a member of the directorate.

Every available gymnasium, hall, playing field and sports ground will be used, and the War Office has asked commands to avoid requisitioning premises suitable for recreational work.

Premises already requisitioned will be released if possible.

The scheme is at present limited to boys and young men, but may be extended to girls and women.

Gramophone Sales Touch Records During Blitz

Gramophone records, always a trade prosperity barometer, cannot be made quickly enough nowadays.

In London they are the best-sellers of the blitz. In the North and Midlands sales have jumped to near the boom figures of 1928-1929.

"But for the war, the industry would be climbing to new record figures," Mr E. R. Lewis, managing director of the Decca Record Company, told a pressman. "As it is, the improvement over the past two years has continued."

A Rough Time

"The gramophone business has had a very rough journey since the economic collapse of 1929. Radio, a young industry, reaped in and took away millions of old customers."

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Strange New Drug To Reduce Suffering

SCIENTISTS are striving to turn to human use a strange substance called penicillin, which, if what it promises in the laboratory proves true in the body, will considerably reduce both suffering and death in a number of serious diseases.

Penicillin is as yet something of a riddle. It exists in a certain type of mould—one of the fungi like that which forms on bread or cheese.

It is hoped that it will eventually be used to fight:

Streptococcal Infections:

Child-bed (puerperal) fever, sepsis, and septicaemia; erysipelas; scarlet fever; acute tonsillitis; blood poisoning by streptococcal infections. Wound infections due to streptococci.

Staphylococcal Infections:

Boils, carbuncles, whitlows, styes, wounds infected by, and blood-poisoning due to, staphylococci.

One In 800,000

For ten years past penicillin has been extracted and used by bacteriologists in connection with their work.

If a bacteriologist wants to grow a culture of a certain germ his greatest difficulty is to prevent this germ being killed off by stronger-growing germs which find their way into the test-tube incubators of the laboratory. Penicillin prevents staphylococci and streptococci from killing off less powerful bacilli which may be required for experiment.

Professor Alexander Fleming, of London University, told the Pharmaceutical Society in a lecture on wartime antiseptics, that one part of penicillin in 800,000 produced "complete inhibition" against a certain type of streptococcus.

Penicillin, like the sulphonamides—such as "M. and B. 760"—acts on the germs in the following way: it does not kill them, but it prevents them from multiplying.

Wounds Treated

As they multiply by dividing into two, and thus doubling and recoupling to infinity, these drugs hold the number of bacteria constant and thus—in the human body—facilitate the natural resistance to attack them effectively, eat them up, and clear the blood-stream of the poisoning invaders.

Wounds artificially induced in animals have been successfully treated in the laboratory with penicillin. But—

The active principle which makes penicillin do its work has not yet been isolated. The substance cannot yet be made synthetically and thus standardised in power and dose.

Only when the principle is isolated, and after long experiment, only when it has been proved by chemists that the substance is as effective in real life as it seems so far in the special conditions of the laboratory; only then will penicillin be allowed to play its part in the conquest of disease.

BIG A.R.P. COMB-OUT BEGINS

An intense comb-out of A.R.P. personnel has begun in Britain.

Men and women with criminal records, some of whom have already been found in the civil defence services, are to be sacked.

It is believed that many of these people enrolled in order to get opportunities for looting, behind the protection of an A.R.P. uniform.

Several cases in which men had served two or three terms of imprisonment have been discovered. Often these sentences were for theft, of just the kind that has been prevalent during recent raids.

A check-up on all aliens serving with A.R.P. units is also being made.

Though it is generally admitted that the majority of aliens joined the Services through a genuine feeling for Britain, suspicion has been roused in certain recent cases.

WHAT STOMACH SUFFERERS CAN EAT

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"R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments

Reflections On K.C.C. - H.K.C.C. Match

Is Kowloon's Batting Strength Over-rated?

Indians' Handicap

OWING to the vagaries of our climate, I have spent a couple of days in bed since I published my accounts of the H.K.C.C. and K.C.C. match and I have had time to reflect on it. I have in consequence rather altered my opinion of the K.C.C. batting, and while I still think it an extremely powerful batting side against bad bowling, I have begun to doubt its soundness.

I do not include Donald Anderson in this statement as I think he just had a bad match. The point that I take is this: In each innings the only serious stand was made between Teddy Finch and Mackay. But when the batting order was examined it appeared at once that they came together.

Baker and Perry had been bowling for some time. Their first energy was passed and the shine was off the ball. In each case a change of bowling came soon, and the two batsmen had very little difficulty in dealing with the mediocre small change which the Club could call upon.

True, Alec Pearce had a wonderful over in the second innings, but it is some years since he has been dangerous, though he can get the nugs out better than most. You cannot be the best bat in the Colony and one of its best bowlers at the same time unless you are a sanguinary marvel.

From all this I deduce that the K.C.C. batting appears so strong because it seldom comes up against really good bowling. I trust I shall not give offence when I say this, but I do think this is true of all of them except Anderson and E. C. Fletcher.

Lions And Rabbits

THERE was one other interesting thought that came into my mind, and that was why Civil Servants, when playing as members of the Club, behave like lions and then go off to play for C.S.C.C. and behave like (I will not insult lambs) complete rabbits.

It has been most marked this season. As a general rule in a big game they, with about two members of the regular Club side, carry the game. As an instance one has only to refer to the New Year game where Baker and Perry did most of the bowling in the first innings and Griffiths saved the batting.

It is perhaps a good deal to do with grounds. The C.S.C.C. usually give a good account of themselves on the K.C.C. ground.

C.S.C.C. v. Recreio

MY last paragraph was written chiefly because of a phrase I read which a brother scribe had written—"Club de Recreio—surprisingly held to a draw by the Civil Service Cricket Club." Now this may be a very fair statement on the performances of C.S.C.C. qua the Club team. But on paper I am by no means satisfied that the C.S.C.C. have not the better side.

It would be tedious to mention all the names, but in batting at least the side should hold its own. In bowling, perhaps, Recreio have a bulge, though I should call Baker a better bowler than E. L. Gosano and Perry better than any other change the Recreio have.

The Civil Service have no left hander it is true—nor a leg break bowler like H. L. Ozorio. But there is not a lot to choose between the attacks to my mind, and I was only surprised at the draw because the game was played at the Civil Service ground where the team's efforts are usually appalling.

I should like to make it clear that I am not belittling the Recreio players but writing up the potential strength of the Civil Service.

In one department the Recreio have the complete half-nelson on the C.S.C.C. Their fielding is brilliant.

The Play

ATTWELL, who is having a lean patch after his mass of runs, failed, but Dicky Richardson, who had broken his hoodoo against Recreio in a previous non-league game, knocked up 31 and Perry had 20.

Two members of the side who have been badly out of form this year got going. Colledge and Fortescue, and made 20 and 50 not out respectively. I was told by a good judge that he has never seen Fortescue bat better.

Wright, apart from making a splendid catch, hit up 10 in two overs.

I was amazed to hear that in spite of the fact that Baker had pulled a muscle and could not bowl, and that Whitley was away, the

Recreio made no serious attempt to get the runs.

They took about half an hour to score the first thirty runs of which Soares only scored eight. This is the more surprising as he is one of the hitting type of batsmen, and usually, if he stops half an hour, he has thirty or more to show for it. G. N. Gosano and M. A. Remedios played good knocks.

Richardson wisely kept McLellan and Perry on all the time and they responded nobly, sending down 14 overs apiece.

Kowloon Victory

THE K.C.C. possibly were a little shaken up by their defeat in the China New Year match, and it may have done them good. They met a sporting team in the I.R.C. who, despite the fact that they have only one real bowler, declared at 157 for 8 wickets.

A. H. Madar (41) A. H. Rumjahn (35) and A. R. H. Esmail (20) all did well at the start of their innings. The K.C.C. batsmen made light of their task, thanks chiefly to Donald Anderson who hit up 74 not out. Minu struggled gallantly and took five of the six wickets that fell, and A. H. Madar kept an end going, but they are sadly in need of a really good bowler to help Minu.

With two good bowlers, the small change they have could eke the attack out much as K.C.C. manage with Lloyd and Francis Zimmermann.

Junior Division

IF only the Civil Service second eleven had done a bit better with the bat they might well have beaten C.C.C., but apart from Ainslie (who, I am glad to see, seems to have emerged from his patch) they did little.

He got 50, and the only other double figure score was 11 by Barrow. Crnigengower got 108 for 9 but they were unlucky to lose N. Broadbridge who was hit in the face when he had made 22—going in first. His partner made 21 and U. M. Omer 25—but no one else did much.

Police Two Short

WITH so many calls on their services, the Police are making a gallant struggle to carry on. They managed to get K.C.C. out for 134 with an impressive row of four ducks in the middle of the batting.

Baxter got 67 but the only other double figures were Ropley (24) and E. Curtis (25 not out). As nearly always, Carey got runs (21) and Tyler who has the makings of a good cricketer made 21. But they—nine of them—were out for a total of 74 runs.

Varsity Beaten

THE I.R.C. rather ran riot with the bat and ran up 170 for 7 declared against the Varsity who have not quite fulfilled their early promise. For the I.R.C. M. R. Abbs made 69, and I am wondering if he would not be worth a trial in the first. There were four other double figure scores.

University had a bad patch at the start, and though Cheillah (30), Mazuzn (20) and Amplavanan and Gill (15 apiece) tried to hold the fort, it could not be done, and they only just managed to send the hundred up before succumbing.

Another Big Game

I HAVE heard rumours of an ably tempted to fit up a return between the full strength of H.K.C.C. and the K.C.C. on the ground of the latter team. The Easter holidays fall in the second week in April, which is perhaps a bit late for cricket, but I don't see much chance of fixing things up comfortably before that, what with camps and things. April 12 and 14 would presumably be the dates. I certainly hope that the game will come off.



The Recreio-Army Junior match at Recreio on Saturday. L/Cpl Stoner playing forward to a rather bouncy one.—Ming Yuen.

Paterson Retains Empire Flyweight Title

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—The British and Empire flyweight boxing championship title was at stake in a fight at Nottingham to-night between Jackie Paterson (Glasgow, holder) and Paddy Ryan (Manchester).

Paterson retained his title when he won in the eighth round, the referee stopping the fight.

France Out Of 1941 Tennis Picture

Petra And Pelizza Are German Prisoners

VICHY, Jan. 29 (UP).—Jean Borotra, world famous tennis player, who has been made French Sport Commissary by Marshal Petain, told the United Press in an exclusive interview that until peace is restored in Europe there could be no question of international matches in France.

The "Bounding Basque," who in 1927, won the Davis Cup for France, at Germantown, with his team composed of Rene Lacoste, Henri Cochet, and Jacques Brugnon, said:

"Since France's star players, Yvon Petra and Henri Pelizza are in German prison camps it would be impossible for France to participate in tennis matches abroad."

"With the 1,800,000 French prisoners scattered throughout Germany and the occupied zone of France," he continued, "and every French family with at least one member in captivity, we do not feel up to playing in public. Thus, France will not be represented at Davis Cup matches next summer. However, there will be French inter-regional championships to be held in Paris on the courts of the Tennis Club de France."

"For the first time in many months," he went on, "I went two weeks ago to the Tennis Club de France to see the French Junior Championships. The youngsters put up a good show and there was some splendid tennis."

Scattered Players

YVON Petra and Pierre Pelizza are prisoners, while Jacques Brugnon, (one-of-the-Four-Horsemen of the 1927 French Davis Cup team), is in America as secretary to a tennis Club in Pasadena. Georges Destremieu, another young French Davis Cup star is in Paris and is leaving shortly for Tunis where he accepted a position. Marcel Bernard, who was a Davis Cup hope a few years ago is in Paris as well as Christian Bousquet.

"Henri Cochet, (another of the 1927 'Cup' days), has bought a farm near Paris and devotes most of his time to agricultural life." Henri Cochet still plays tennis in his spare time.

"As for Rene Lacoste," Borotra pursued, "he has accepted to head the French Lawn Tennis Federation, replacing Pierre Gillou, who resigned. However, Gillou will continue in his functions until July 1st when Rene Lacoste will take over."

The Jewish Question

JEAN Borotra, asked whether French Jews would be excluded from tennis championships in future, replied:

"I do not see why they should be excluded and for the moment no such question has been discussed."

World Soccer Cup

KNOWING that Borotra is a football fan and an excellent player, he was asked whether the French football team would participate in the 1942 World Cup which is to be played in South America.

It is rather improbable," he said, "but if we are at peace we shall be delighted to participate for the cherish good memories of the 1938 'Cup' which was played in France."

Thailand Tennis Praised By Japanese

TOKYO, Feb. 3 (Domei).—The Japanese goodwill tennis players to Thailand, Yasuo Tsuruta, of Keio University and Sukeyasu Nakahara, of Waseda University, returned here on Sunday.

Highly praising the standard of play in Thailand, the players said: "Japan should exchange players with Thailand more frequently not only for the promotion of friendlier relations between the two countries but also for the improvement of its own players. There are many good players in Thailand and we only hope that we shall be able to meet them again."

Tsuruta and Nakahara were in Thailand for two weeks during which time they met the champions of Thailand, winning the singles but losing the doubles.

COLONY CHESS TITLES

First Round Of Senior Tourney To-day

FIRST ROUND matches of the Colony Senior Chess Championship will be played to-day. Though entries this year are not as large as those of 1940, the standard, nevertheless, has not been impaired. To-day, two former champions, D. E. de Carvalho and C. M. Sequeira meet, while other matches at the Peninsula Hotel are G. S. Coxhead v. E. Zimmermann (runner-up last year) and L. Karpovich v. K. Weiss.

Open Tennis Championships Next Month

The annual Colony's tennis championships, organised by the Hongkong C.C., will commence on March 10. As in previous years, there will be open singles and doubles events.

The Committee of the Club has decided that any surplus money resulting from the Tournament will be donated to the Bomber Fund, and in consequence small mementoes, instead of the usual trophies, will be presented to the winners.

Intending competitors are asked to assist the Committee by stating on which days of the week they are unable to play owing to Volunteer or other duties.

Referees' Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Referees' Association will be held at the Hotel Cecil at 8 p.m. to-day, when a talk on Soccer will be given by one of the members.

"Lightning" Tourney

A. C. Poupard, with 11½ points out of a possible 18, won the double-round "Lightning" chess tournament of the Kowloon Chess Club held on Saturday. R. C. Danenberg and J. Grefalda tied for second place with nine points each.

Fanling Golf

Captain's Cup Qualifiers

The following qualified for the Captain's Cup at Fanling on Sunday: Old Course.—G. T. Harrington, 64-15-69, (22 entries). New Course.—F. A. Redmond, 78-11-67, (eight entries).



GOOD-WILL TOUR.—Dorothy Bundy, tennis champion, receives huge trophy in Buenos Aires after winning women's singles in Argentine tourney, during good-will tour. Mrs. Norman Armour, wife of U. S. Ambassador, presents trophy.

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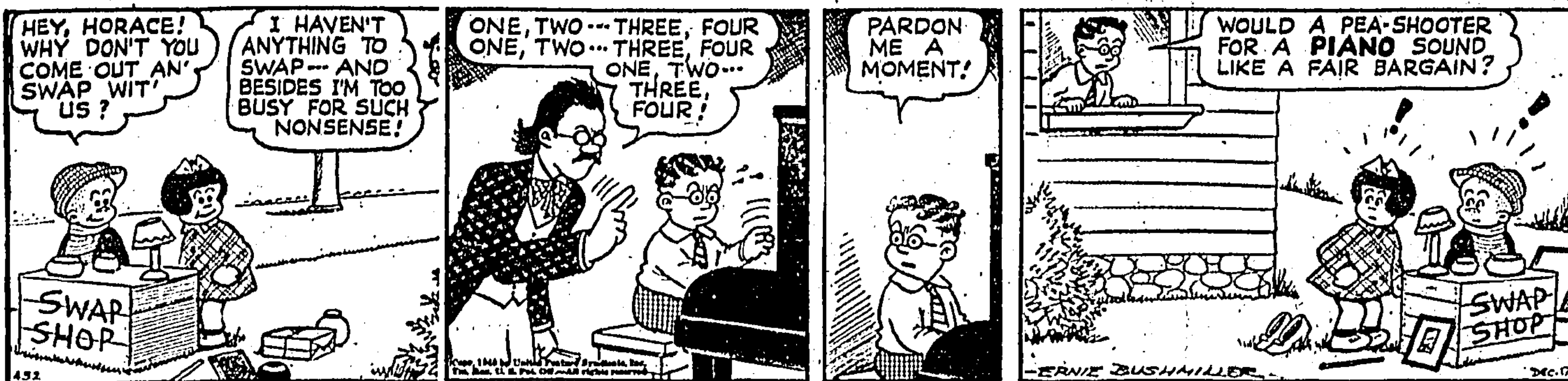
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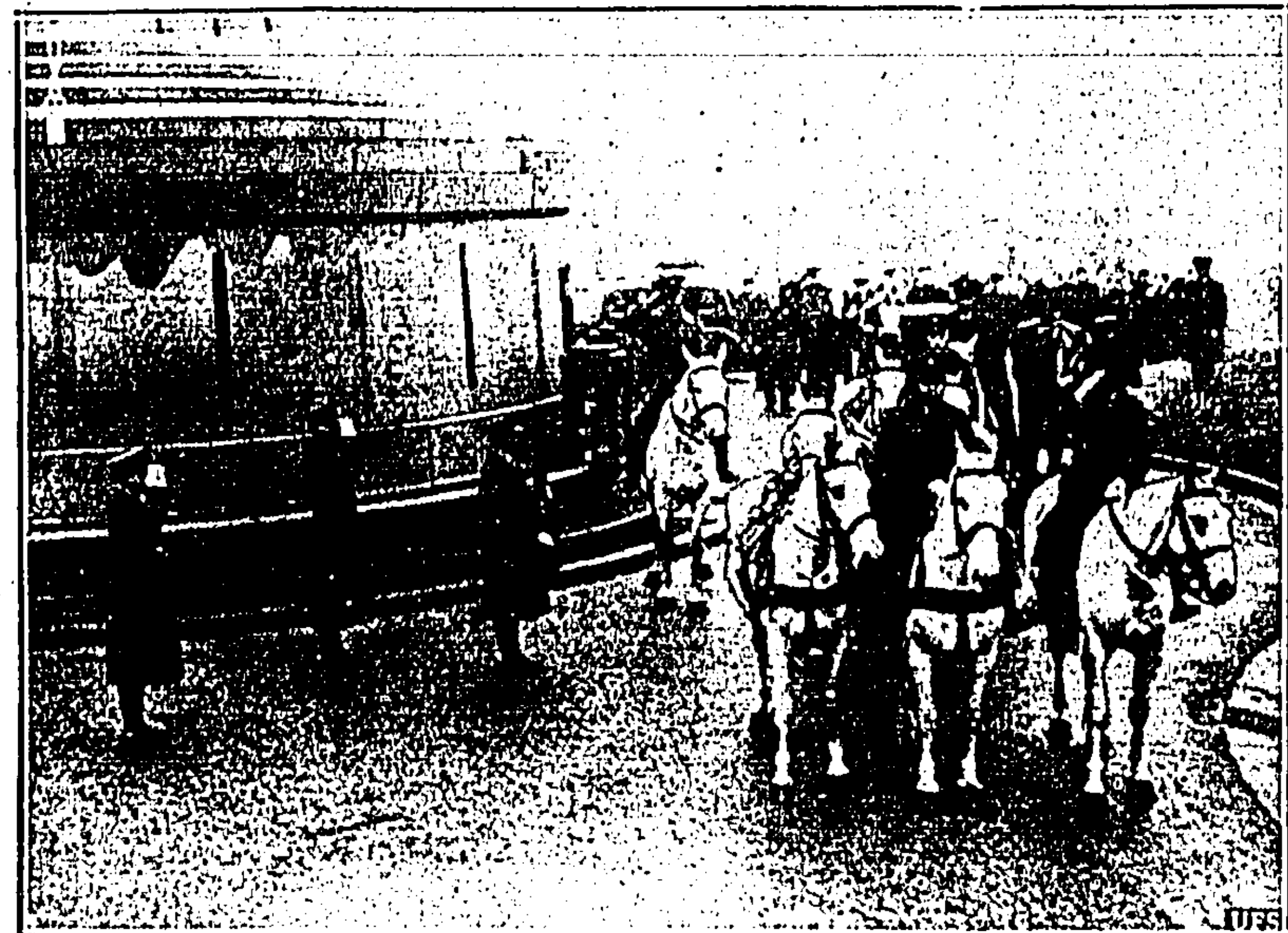
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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller



AT REST—A cold rain fell as the ashes of the late Marquess of Lothian, British Ambassador who died in Washington, were placed in a receiving vault at the base of the monument to the battleship Maine in Arlington Cemetery. The urn containing the ashes was drawn on a caisson by six gray horses, as above.

Shot Wife In Error; Turned Gun On Self

A coroner's jury decided at Southampton recently that a Royal Naval Reserve commander aimed a revolver at his wife as a threat, and then, finding he had shot her by mistake, shot himself through remorse.

They returned a verdict of manslaughter and suicide at the inquest on Commander Wilfred Stanfield, aged 47, and Mrs Louise Stanfield, aged 43, who were shot at their home in Wilton-crescent, Southampton.

Mrs Cissie Julia Blake, a friend of Commander and Mrs Stanfield, told the Coroner how she saw Mrs Stanfield holding a handkerchief to her mouth, which was bleeding. One of Commander Stanfield's hands was cut near the knuckle.

Mrs Stanfield said, "Look what Wilf has done. He says he will shoot me." Commander Stanfield said, "I will."

Mrs Blake then told how she heard Commander Stanfield opening and shutting drawers and muttering to himself. Mrs Stanfield said something about a revolver. "I opened the front door to run out. Then I heard a shot followed by a fall. By the time I got to the front doorstep I heard another shot followed by a thud."

Police Sergeant Henry Leavey said he found four live revolver cartridges on the floor. "The revolver, which had six chambers, contained two discharged cartridges with a vacant chamber between them."

Thought Gun Empty
The sergeant suggested that Commander Stanfield thought he had ejected all the cartridges, but that two live cartridges remained in the chambers.

A member of the jury suggested that possibly only one live cartridge had been left in the chamber, and that Commander Stanfield, after he had shot his wife and discovered his mistake, had reloaded with another and had then shot himself.

Commander Stanfield, a former chief officer of the line, was in Australia, had since the war been carrying on naval duties, including mine-sweeping.

Donations To Bomber Fund

A total of \$1,503,255.28 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd, with the following donations:

Police Recreation Club (Cricket Bat)	\$25
Farwell Party of a Dutchman	50
Miss A. Lynn	1
"Helen's" Tennis	13
Ex-bet, Mr E. W. Hamilton	50
Texaco Shrapnel Box (second donation)	37.80
Result of Bet-D.H.H. & S.J. (wreck ended 12.41)	2
Ex-Brydland (fifth donation)	200
R.A.B. Bomber Box (January)	30
Ex-Brydland Party per Miss Mary Edmondston	25.20
Dr W. Winstanley	10
Mrs A. Lee (fourth donation)	10
Tyde & Co. Shrapnel Box (second donation)	4.50

Hongkong War Effort Committee—Proceeds of Flag Day held on 16th January, 1941:

Hongkong Collections	\$5,239.52
Kowloon Collections	2,330.75
Kowloon Health Inspectorate:	
H. F. D. (fifth donation)	13
G. F. (fifth donation)	10
A. C. S. (sixth donation)	10
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C. T. C. (fifth donation)	10
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G. H. M. (fifth donation)	10

The following monthly donations to the War Fund were also received yesterday:

Mr S. Pierce	20
Malayan Cadets	10
Inland Missionary	10
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Mr S. Duncan	13
Mr H. S. Beech	50
Mr T. G. Evans	30
Mr John Fant	30
Major H. G. Robertson	25
Mr M. F. L. Haynes	30
Mr David Wilson	30

Dr Winterstein, whose donation is acknowledged above, is an Austrian who was interned in Hongkong on the outbreak of war and who is now working up country in a Refugee Hospital. Although he is not allowed to enter Hongkong, he has sent his donation to Britain's War Effort and has promised \$5 per month.

B. W. O. F.
The British War Organization Fund, Hongkong Branch, acknowledges the following donations:

Previously acknowledged \$100 and \$200.04.11: S. W. P. Perry (monthly), \$25; A. C. Wilcox (January), \$25; Anonymous, \$20; Edgar Davidson (monthly), \$50; A. Whitaker, \$2; Millington Ltd, \$11.10; Din Bros, \$20; sale of Service Badge per Lady MacGregor, \$1; J. P. Rush (January), \$10; J. Finkle (January), \$50; B. Hirschfeld (January), \$10; C. Austin (January), \$10; W. Hewitt (January), \$10; D. J. Valentine (January), \$20; Anonymous, \$20; W. J. Knight (monthly), \$500; \$10; O. E. Bertin (monthly), \$500; The Prison Staff, \$100.00; The Joint Committee of Hongkong and Kowloon Education Association, \$2,000; some members of the European Staff of Messrs Butterfield & Swire (January), \$100; Union Assurance Society of Canton Ltd, January, \$44.15; Anonymous, \$24.74; Mr and Mrs H. E. Tavakoli (monthly), \$10; G. C. Worrall (monthly), \$20; A. McAlpine (monthly), \$10; W. P. C. (Jan) \$10; total, \$632,276.10.

An Irishman's £39 Argument

For careless talk, Dr James Livingstone Morton, a retired Irish doctor, of Ilfracombe, was fined £39 at the local court recently.

Morton, it was stated, went round hotels frightening guests by saying there would be nothing left of England after German bombing. He had also, it was alleged, signed the name of Hitler and drawn a swastika in Combe Martin Parish

DECREE NAZI

A woman called recently at the War Savings Pavilion at Edinburgh and handed over a sum of money.

"I have been saving this up to divorce my husband," she said. "But I think I can tolerate him better than I can Hitler. I'll deal with Hitler first."

Church and Ilfracombe Museum visiting books. In defence, Morton said that, being an Irishman he loved an argument.

Harrow Boys Deal With Incendiaries

Harrow boys successfully dealt with about 250 fire bombs when they fell on and around the school recently.

"The bombs were put out so quickly that there was no damage at all," said Mr. A. P. Boissier, the headmaster, recently.

"Next night, we had another visit, but no missile fell on the houses. There was no damage, and in neither raid was anyone injured."

DESCRIPTION OF BENGHAZI "Garden Of Hesperides"

In the present Libyan struggle, only half a dozen eastern coastal towns are of much importance. The first among them, from the west, the most prosperous appearing, and in many ways the most beautiful is Benghazi, a district capital. It is a ship and air port, a centre of business, trade, administration, and colonisation. Its population, which has increased 300 per cent. in 30 years, has reached 65,000.

A majority of the inhabitants are Europeans, who live in a pleasant quarter of white houses, lining wide streets, attractive, tree-filled parks. Fresh water abounds, rainfall is usually sufficient, new little villages dot the countryside and frugal Italian peasants raise delicious fruit from orchards, covering the site of the legendary "Garden of Hesperides."

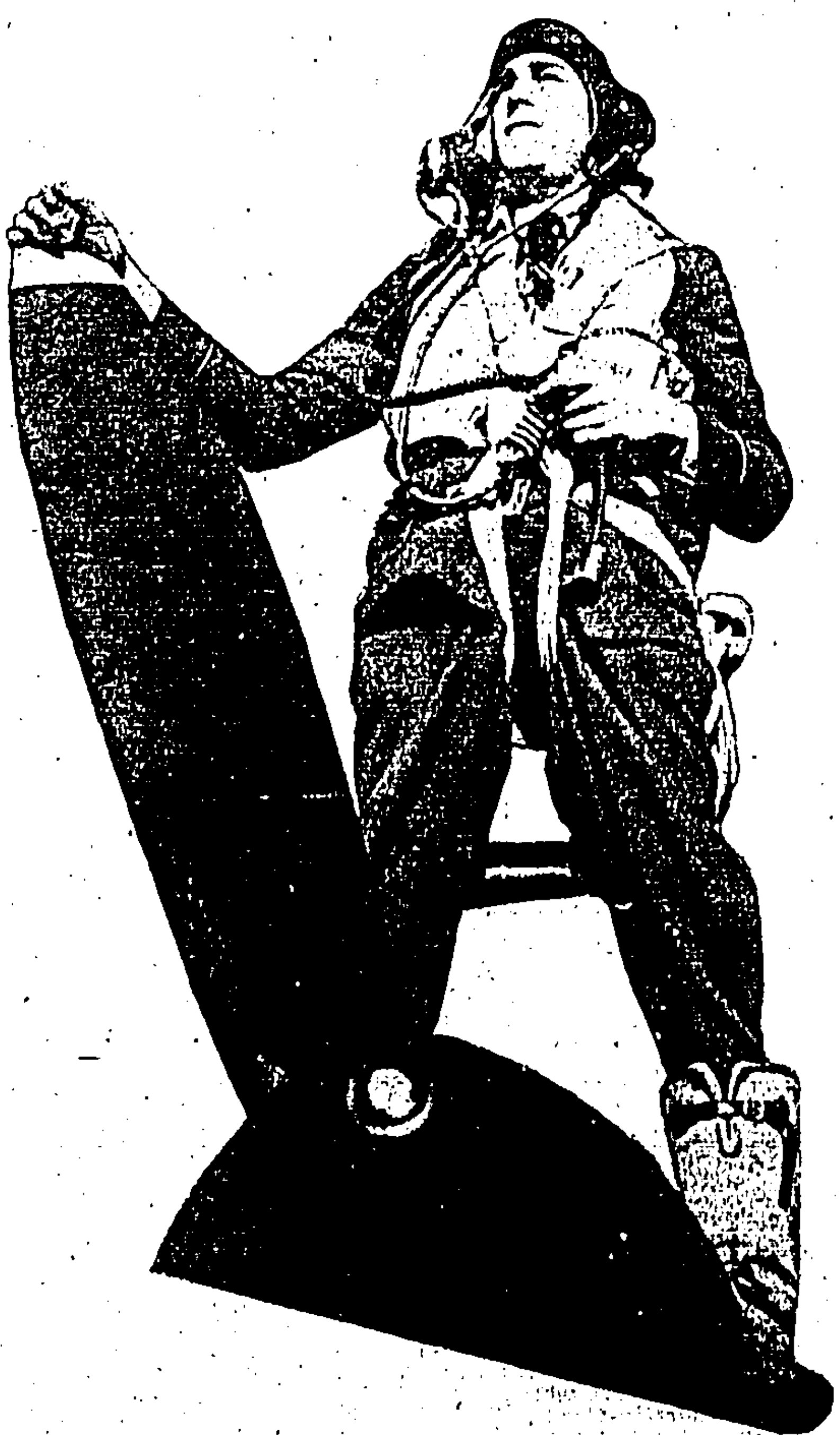
A few scores of miles eastward along the coast, one comes to the bare, dreary, silent ruins of the greatest Grecian city in ancient times, outside of the Greek Peninsula. It is Cyrene, known as the Athens of Africa. Not fewer than 100,000 people lived in it and among them were world famous merchants, artists, writers, philosophers. The country round about produced much grain and in times of need sent supplies to Greece, itself. Now a few pieces of pillars mount above the desolation to show how men destroy the beautiful things men make.

Fifty miles further east, around the curve of the coast, one comes to the buoyant city of Derna (now in British hands), ever refreshed with flowing water, gay with flowers, verdant with gardens, and rich with fields. This and Benghazi are the only places along hundreds of miles of coast that have always been supplied with water and have been settled through the millenniums. Never have desert sands conquered Derna.

A.N.S. SUPPER-DANCE

Members of the Auxiliary Nursing Service are busy planning a Supper-Dance and Cabaret to be held at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday, March 7, in aid of the Bomber Fund. A specially attractive programme is being arranged. Further particulars will be given in due course. In the meantime, it is expected that by announcing the date well ahead, a very large attendance will be ensured.

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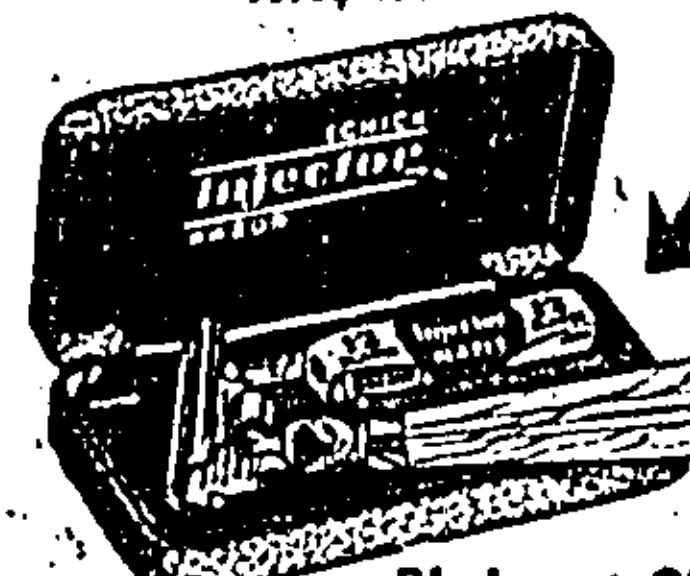
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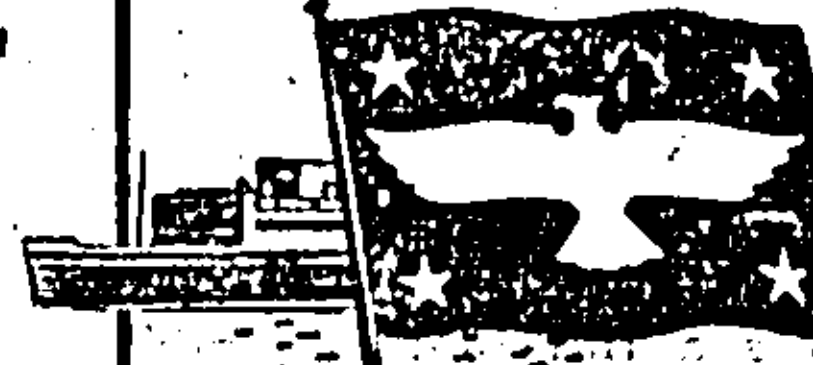
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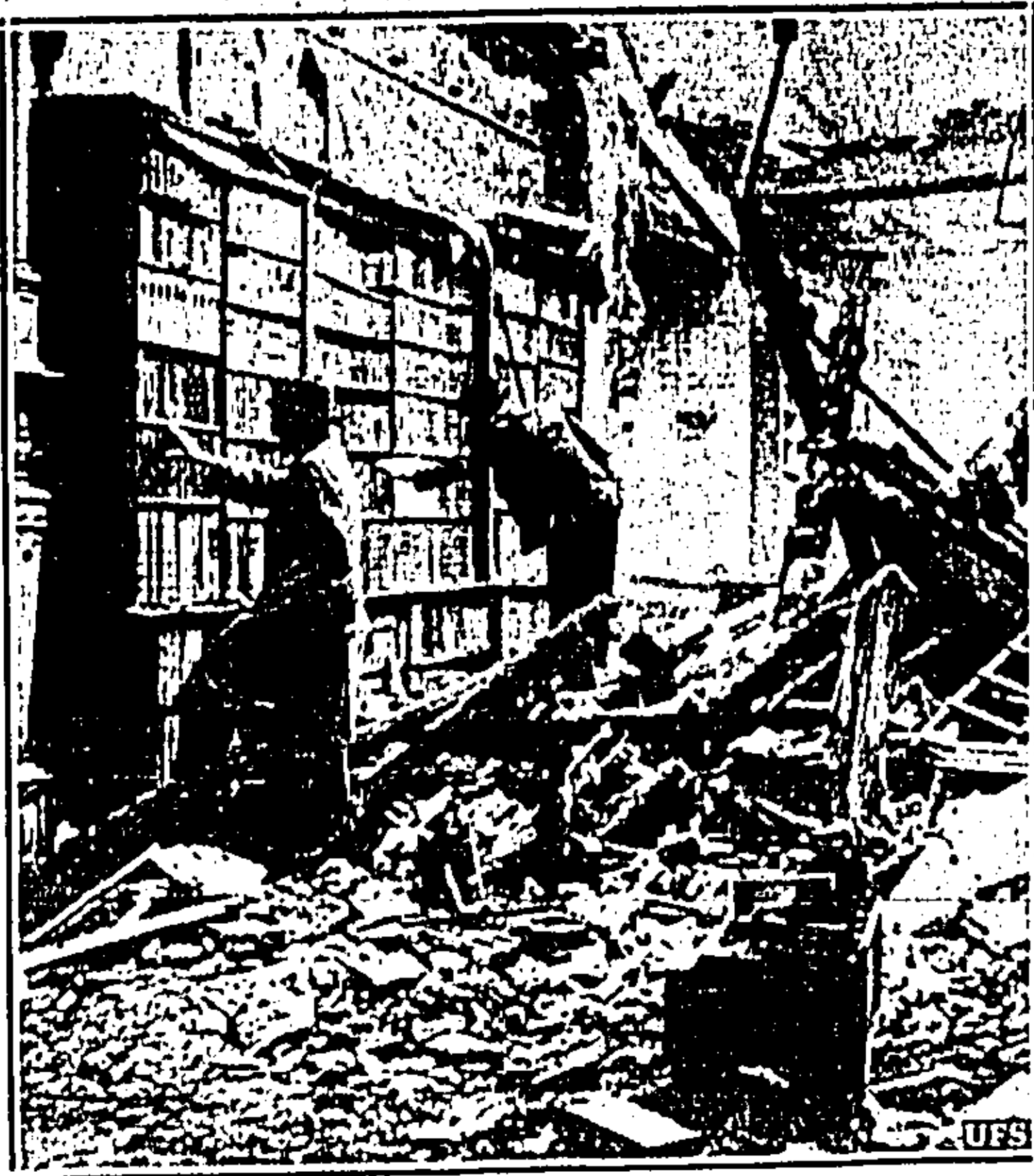
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Chinese Reports From South Honan Front

LOYANG, Feb. 3 (Central News).—The Japanese troops engaged in a northward drive in south Honan have suffered serious losses.

Their central column attacking Siping on the Peiping-Hankow Railway has been subjected to heavy pounding by the Chinese and the casualties number thousands.

To the east of the Peiping-Hankow Railway a Japanese column pushing northward from Shanghai suffered surprise assaults.

Severe fighting raged for five days at Singhsien and Shanglien. The Chinese captured more than 100 heavy and light machine-guns, 1,200 rifles and 300 army horses.

The Japanese pushing westward from Paoanyi to Fancheng are now retreating southward. The Chinese have recaptured Fancheng, Paoanyi, Tushuchen and Chuchukang.

Shangfengho, a town north of Wuyang, west of the Peiping-Hankow Railway, which was occupied by the Japanese, was recaptured by the Chinese last night. The Japanese beat a retreat to Wuyang.

ENEMY STRAFED POSITIONS

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GEN. SMUTS REPROVES OVER-ENTHUSIASTIC SOLDIERS

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—A special order has been issued by General Jan Smuts, Prime Minister and General Officer Commanding the Union Defence Forces, drawing the attention of all ranks to the necessity of observing orderly conduct "even in the face of frequent provocation."

The order says that General Smuts views with the gravest disapproval the riotous conduct of certain members of the forces in Johannesburg on Friday and Saturday, the effect of which, whatever the circumstances, can only bring discredit upon their uniform and embarrass him.

General Smuts will take severe disciplinary action, the order continues, to ensure the maintenance of respect for authority and obedience to civil law, "which is as necessary in the normal life of our cities as discipline is necessary in the face of the enemy."

Full Inquiry Ordered

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—In the Union House of Assembly, General Smuts announced that a full inquiry would be held into the Johannesburg disturbances. Compensation would be paid for damage done to property and disciplinary action would be taken by the military authorities.

General Smuts said that he deeply deplored what had occurred.

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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Feb. 3 (Domel).—Dissatisfaction at the recently concluded Japan Youth Corps under the leadership of the Minister of Education, was expressed by a spokesman of the War Office at this afternoon's meeting of the Lower House committee dealing with the Military Service Law amendment bill.

The spokesman said that the Army desires a unique organization representative of Japan's national policy with students of the Youth School as the nucleus. He further hoped that in future a new organization may be formed by the Youth, National, and Middle Schools and Colleges and Universities perfectly united in intellectual, moral and physical cultures.

Referring to the connections between the Youth Corps and the National Service Association, the Army authorities do not desire and are strongly opposed to participation in politics by youths who are attending schools. He favoured, however, their participation in the National Service Movement after entering into the social career.

The War Office spokesman pointed out that the War, Navy and Education Ministry authorities are jointly studying plans for making a truly useful organization of youths embodying harmonisation of intellectual, moral and physical cultures.

Idle Danish Shipping

NEW YORK, Feb. 3 (Reuter).

Thirty-eight Danish ships, totalling over 250,000 tons, now idle in American ports, may, if the United States Government approves, carry cargoes to Britain, says the newspaper, "World Telegram."

Twenty other ships in South American ports may be released, the paper adds.

Bomber Planes Hitting Back

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conserved for a "knock-out" blow are discounted.

Weather conditions have grounded the Luftwaffe squadrons attacking Britain, which are based entirely at advanced aerodromes outside Germany.

I gather that the estimates that Germany has a fleet of 18,000 aircraft ready to launch an invasion, with another 18,000 in reserve, have not dismayed the authorities. The total of front line Nazi planes available for any major onslaught is believed in well-informed quarters to be but a proportion of 18,000.

GREEKS TAKE VALONA BAY

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Envoy Anxious About Camrahn Bay Report

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

VICHY, Feb. 3 (UP).—The United States Ambassador, Admiral Leahy, conferred with M. Flaminio to-day, seeking guidance concerning the reports that the Japanese are demanding the use of Camrahn Bay as a naval base.

M. Flaminio reported in detail to Admiral Leahy regarding the peace conversations which were held at Saigon.

Canadian Overseas Forces Strengthened

OTTAWA, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—The Canadian Government will spend over \$100,000,000 during the 1941-42 fiscal year to form and equip an armoured division and tank brigade to reinforce the Canadian Corps overseas.

This was announced by Colonel J. L. Ralston, Minister of National Defence, at a press conference to-day.

The wedding took place on January 21 at Navy House, Singapore, between Capt. F. J. Wylie, R.N., and Mrs. Janet Whitham, formerly of Hongkong. Rear-Admiral and Mrs. F. B. Drew kindly lent them the house for the occasion and acted as host and hostess. The Navy were well represented among the guests, who included the Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, Admiral Sir Geoffrey Layton, and Lady Layton.

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WHITEAWAY'S

GREEKS TAKE VALONA BAY: FORCES ONLY 12 MILES FROM CITY

Special to the "Telegraph"

STRUGA, FEB. 3 (UP).—GREEK FORCES ARE REPORTED TO HAVE REACHED THE SHORES OF VALONA BAY THIS MORNING. IT IS KNOWN THAT THEY GAINED THE DUKATI BAY ON THE SOUTHERN ARM OF VALONA BAY AND THAT THEY ARE NOW ONLY 12 MILES FROM VALONA.

Other units of the same Greek column are advancing in the Kerauniai Mountains and are reported to have captured the last Italian fortified position barring the way to Valona Bay.

It was at this point that other units this morning successfully took up the pursuit of the retreating Italians.

SARDINIA POWER SUPPLY BOMBED

R.A.F. Carries on Good Work

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Feb. 3 (UP).—According to an official Admiralty announcement Swordfish aircraft from the Naval Command on Sunday carried out a successful attack on one of the main sources of power supply in Sardinia.

E. Africa Campaign

Enemy Positions Strafed

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—On Feb. 1, the South African Air Force bombed enemy emplacements in East Africa.

Supporting the army offensive, the R.A.F. made dive attacks on fort buildings at Barentu, which were hit by several bombs. Others fell among concentrations of motor transport where at least 50 vehicles were rendered unserviceable.

West of Asmara another concentration of motor vehicles was attacked while direct hits were scored on the road.

A Savoia bomber was shot down at Agordat, and during the whole of these operations only one British aircraft failed to return safely.

Roads Strafed

CAIRO, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—Roads between Derna and Benghazi in Libya were strafed yesterday by R.A.F. bombers and fighters. Twenty-five miles south-west of Apollonia, troops and lorries were machine-gunned at Siolta. Thirteen lorries were destroyed, says an R.A.F. communique, which adds that other attacks on motor transport were made at Maraua and on the road between that place and Gubba.

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Success For South African Forces

Two Italian Posts In Abyssinia Occupied

NAIROBI, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—The success of South African forces is described in an official communique which says:

"South African forces have occupied Italian posts at Elgumu and Goral, ten miles inside the Abyssinian border. The Italians lost two officers and 43 banda (native levies) killed, and three officers and 60 banda taken prisoner, together with machine-

guns, rifles, arms and ammunition. Our casualties were very slight. After this success, the capture of the post of Hobok, seven miles north of the border and west of Goral was reported. Active patrolling continues in other sectors."

Consolidate Positions

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—Greek troops, defying heavy rain on the whole front, scored new successes to-day, according to a Press Ministry statement broadcast by the Athens radio to-night.

Greek forces increased their relentless pressure on Italian positions on the central front. Their heavy guns are maintaining a ceaseless fire on the dominant points of the line recently captured from the enemy.

Local surprise attacks upon Italian posts on various sectors of the front resulted in the capture of sentries without a shot being fired.

Mopping up operations in the mountain north of Klisura have been completed. The last vestiges of Italian resistance were eliminated without any serious effort.

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Big Reception For Willkie

Manchester Enthusiastic

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—Mr Wendell Willkie's 60-minute tour of the bomb-damaged area of Manchester included some of the most enthusiastic scenes there for many years.

Dense crowds stopped the car time and again, and the police bodyguard had to be augmented to save him from being mobbed by admirers. He told a reporter, "I have found the answer to the question I set out to ask."

Referring to the hundreds of people with whom he had spoken, he said, "The people's spirit is magnificent. I don't believe any nation in the world is more united in a cause than the people of the British Isles."

Mr Willkie said that he was more impressed by what was still being produced by industry than by the damage done.

To see King and Queen

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—As the culminating event of his extensive tour of Britain under war conditions, Mr Wendell Willkie expects to see the King and Queen on Tuesday.

Mr Willkie to-day is seeing how Liverpool is taking the "blitz." Early as he inspected the bombed areas of the city, and later at the Town Hall he said that what he had seen proved that this type of warfare, with all its cruelty, was not accomplishing the desired end of shaking the morale of the population. Rather, it was increasing the people's resolution.

He visited the dockland, where he was called "a great guy."

It also reported that M. Laval may be reinstated as President of the executive triumvirate (comprising Laval, Huntzinger and Darlan) under Marshal Petain, as a result of the negotiations which began in Paris today with Hitler's envoys.

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BRITISH TROOPS IN GREECE

First pictures of British troops in Greece. Tommies and their Greek comrades share a welcome meal. Below the Bishop of Canea blesses British Bren carriers and tanks which, operated by British soldiers, have played an important part in the Greek successes.



TOKYO'S CLAIM ON DUTCH E. I. Rejected Request Will Be Enforced

TOKYO, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—It is self-evident that Japan will go forward with her fixed policy whatever the attitude the Netherlands East Indies may take towards Japan's request for co-operation in the establishment of a sphere of common prosperity throughout Greater East Asia, states the "Kokumin Shimbun" to-day in a comment on the statement of Mr Naokino Ioshino.

"The establishment of a sphere of common prosperity throughout Greater East Asia could not be completed without incorporating the South Sea region," Mr Naokino Ioshino, President of the Planning Board and Minister without Portfolio, declared in reply to an interpellation at a Committee meeting of the House of Representatives to-day.

Mr Hoshino hinted that the South Sea region forms Japan's "life-line."

French Navy To Defend Itself

If Necessary

VICHY, Feb. 3 (UP).—"The Journal" to-day published an interview with Admiral Darlan stating that the French fleet for the present and in the future, would "join under complete French jurisdiction and defend itself, and the Empire, against any challenge whatsoever, and against any attack from any quarter whatsoever."

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Bomber Hitting R.A.F. Planes Back: Gaining The Upper Hand

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—The people of this country have withstood the German onslaught with magnificent courage but they can feel that the Bomber Command is giving like for like," said an R.A.F. senior officer to-day, talking to pressmen in London.

"The Germans in the past have gone into the ring and have put their heavyweights up against bantams and lightweights. Doubtless it was very amusing but Germany will not find it so amusing but more deadly when they realise that they are in the ring with another heavyweight."

Very Good Straight Left

"I think the Bomber Command has already developed a very good straight left and is busy strengthening up a very formidable right." Dealing with the "sweep" of the French coast by British fighters, the officer explained that when the Germans carried the attack into Great Britain, we fought it out in this country, but as we get stronger, so we will lean out and attack the Germans on their side of the Channel and carry the battle into his country."

Luftwaffe Grounded By Bad Weather

(BY "REUTERS" AIR CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. fighter sweeps over Occupied France are believed to have met with so little fighter opposition for two reasons.

(1) Because they surprised the German Air Force and (2) because it is probable that a number of German fighter squadrons have been forced to move back from their indifferently-surfaced advanced aerodromes.

A senior officer of the R.A.F. also stated to-day that it was the opinion of Air Marshal Sir Richard Peirse, Operational Leader of the R.A.F. offensive, that the lulls in the air war in the past fortnight, particularly at night, had been due to the phenomenally bad weather over most of north-west Europe.

Knock-Out Blow

Suggestions that the Nazis are on the defensive due to energy being

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LATEST

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Lively Debate Opens On 'Aid Britain' Bill

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—"Purely a defence measure" was the description applied by Mr Sabath, Chairman of the Rules Committee, in formally opening the debate on the Bill in the House of Representatives.

Mr Hamilton Fish, first Republican speaker, predicted that the United States would be involved in the war in Europe within six months of the Bill being approved unchanged.

A hot discussion was initiated by Representative Dirksen who referred to Lord Halifax's visit on Saturday to Mr Sol Bloom, Chairman of the House of Foreign Relations Committee, who had afterwards stated that he had assured Lord Halifax that the Bill would be passed without any major change.

Mr Dirksen termed this an "extraordinary procedure" and demanded a report of what happened when Lord Halifax called.

Mr Bloom, with flushed face, replied in a terse voice that the only things mentioned were an exhibition of the Magna Carta and the procedure to be followed in Congress as regards the Bill. He added that Mr Dirksen's question was very improper.

Mr Dirksen replied "America's destiny hangs in the balance. This is a proper question."

Critics Of Lease, Lend Bill See U.S.A. At War

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—The Lease and Lend Bill would "vest in one man the decision of peace or war in this country," said Senator Philip La Follette before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to-day.

Senator La Follette, twice Governor of Wisconsin, organised the National Progressives of America in 1938. He said that M. Daladier told him in March, 1939, that France expected the United States to help with money, materials and men.

"Money and materials are in this Bill and I have no hesitation in saying that the President would be justified in regarding this legislation as a mandate to carry out the full implications of entrance into the war."

Mr Norman Thomas, Socialist leader, testifying before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, asserted that the passage of the Lease and Lend

Bill would almost certainly be followed by despatch of troops to Europe. It increased the danger of the United States finding themselves involved in total war.

"The victory we should then want, namely the elimination of the power not only of the Axis but also of Japan, would logically require troops in Asia, Europe and perhaps Africa."

Warning

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (UP).—Mr Philip La Follette, former Governor of Wisconsin, testifying before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on the Lease and Lend Bill, of the possibility of "another Hears-Laval deal, leaving the United States alone at war with the world."

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Attention of all ranks is drawn to the fact that the Police Station will be entirely closed from Thursday, February 6, to Thursday, February 13.

Chinese Company.
Training Course—Part II. Those warned will attend at Police Station for Part II of Training Course under Sub-Inspector (II) T. N. Huk-on on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, February 4, 6 and 7, at 4 p.m. sharp.
Training Course—Part IV. Those detailed will attend Prince's Building, 1st Floor, for Part IV of Training Course under Sub-Inspector (II) Lau Shu-chun on Wednesday, February 5, at 5.15 p.m. sharp.
Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

Indian Company.
Squad Drill. Those warned will attend Central Police Station for Squad Drill on Wednesday and Friday, February 5 and 7 at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress—Uniform.
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Emergency Unit Reserve. Strength. Constables (II) 409 M. A. Prata has been taken on the strength of the Emergency Unit Reserve, as from February 3.
Constables (II) 413 S. L. de Faria and (II) 407 A. S. Xavier have been permitted to resign from the Emergency Unit Reserve, as from February 1 and 2, 1941, respectively.
Company Drill. All ranks of the "A" Company will parade at 2 Police Station on Wednesday, and Friday, February 5, at 5.15 p.m. sharp for Company Drill under Sub-Inspector (II) M. de Sousa. Dress—Blue Uniform.
Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

MONSTER WAR FUND RAFFLE

Donors of Prizes are requested to hold them until won, when the Hongkong War Effort Committee will issue orders for collection to the winners.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 25th day of February, 1941, at 12 o'clock noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company. AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 10th to TUESDAY, the 25th February, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1941.

NOTICE

DEFENCE REGULATIONS 1940

The following rates will be charged for mailing single copies of the following newspapers abroad:—

South China Morning Post
China and Macao
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British Empire and Foreign
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China and Macao
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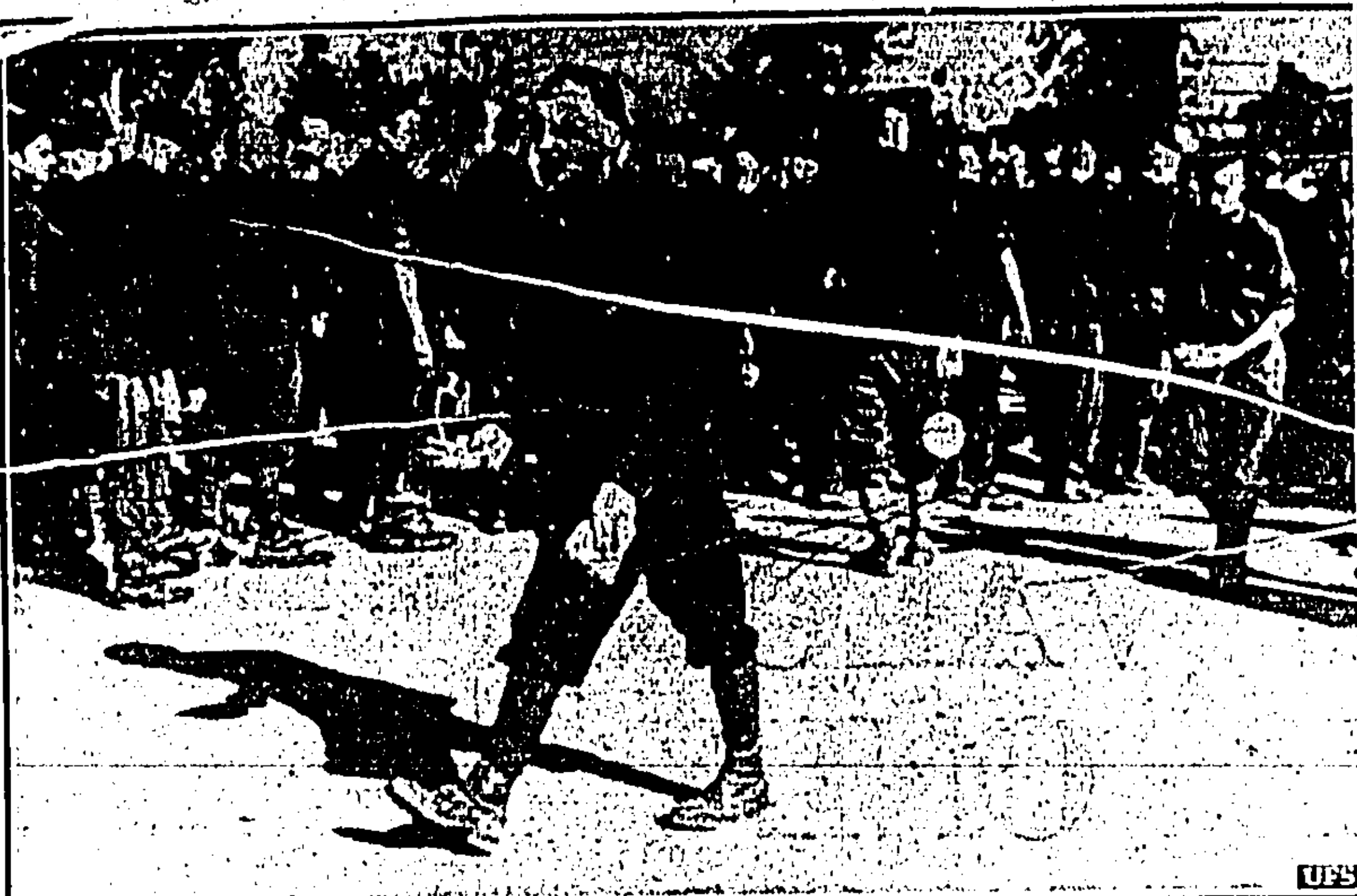


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WAR'S OVER FOR THEM—If Duce's men won't have to fight anymore in war they don't care about. According to Greek censor, these are Italian soldiers captured in Albania and put into prison camp somewhere behind lines. Some are wounded, but all are eager for meat and bread.

Adequate Stocks Of Food

Rice Price Down

No actual shortage of flour for local requirements is anticipated, declared Mr. C. S. Kennedy-Skipiton, Controller of Food, when interviewed yesterday. Owing to irregularities in shipping, future imports may be substantially reduced and stocks may fall accordingly. The Government is, however, watching the situation closely with a view to securing sufficient stocks at all times, he added. It was also learned that Government is acquiring, in case of emergency, a reserve stock of peanut oil and soy beans, which, together with white rice, should provide a minimum diet for an average person. There is no shortage of any of the above three food commodities.

Importers of peanut oil and soy beans are not compelled to keep a reserve for release when stocks in the Colony run short. No special conditions in this connection are attached to the import licences.

It was learned from Chinese sources that, although there is no shortage of peanut oil, the price has increased by about 30 per cent. as compared with pre-war prices. Peanut oil is imported from many places, including North China cities via Tientsin and Dairen, the Dutch East Indies, and Pakhoi. Certain kinds of coconut oil also come from the Philippine Islands. So far supplies from these sources have not been disrupted. Questions regarding the rice situation in Hongkong, Mr. F. C. Barry, Controller of Rice, stated yesterday that the present stocks and forthcoming supplies of rice will be adequate for normal requirements. Rice is chiefly imported from Thailand, Burma and Indo-China. The present retail prices of the various grades have dropped by an average of about \$2 per picul since the last Government Order published in the Gazette.

To prevent any possibility of shortage, importers are encouraged to hold a reserve stock which is to be released occasionally to keep prices down, should the necessity arise.

Generally speaking, concluded Mr. Barry, the rice situation can be regarded as satisfactory.

Abnormal Weather In January

The greater part of January was considerably warmer than usual, although there were two short cold spells on the 25th—26th and 30th—31st says Mr. C. W. Jeffries, Director of the Royal Observatory. The weather was fair during the early part of the month, but became unsettled with frequent rain from the 12th to the 24th. There was a heavy downpour on the 21st, and a thunderstorm on the 23rd; thunder is very unusual in January. The last week of the month was cloudy but mainly dry. The development of an exceptionally intense anticyclone over China caused a marked fall in temperature on the 30th and 31st.

The mean temperature for the month was 64.7°F., which is five degrees above normal. The maximum of 80.0°F., which occurred on the 4th, is a record for January. A minimum of 48.3°F. was recorded on the 31st. The mean relative humidity was 84 per cent. against a normal of 75 per cent.

Only 26 hours of sunshine were recorded, the normal being 145 hours. The total rainfall was 3.81 inches, which is more than three times the normal. The greater part of this rain fell on the 21st.

The maximum wind velocity in a gust was 44 m.p.h. at 7 a.m. on the 23rd.

January Rainfall

A total of 4.03 inches of rain was recorded at the Botanical Gardens during January. Rain fell on 14 days and the heaviest was on January 21-22, when 1.69 inches were registered.

FIRST HILL FIRE OF YEAR

The first great hill fire this year broke out on one of the hills in the New Territories on Sunday evening and burned late into the night. The fire attracted the attention of many residents on both sides of the harbour and many people travelling on ferries left the cabins to watch the blaze.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

T.T. London	1/23 1/2
Demand London	1/23 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	430
T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	102 1/2
T.T. India	82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	23 1/2
T.T. Manila	47 1/2
T.T. Batavia	44 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	102 1/2
T.T. Saigon	102 1/2
T.T. Switzerland	100 1/4
T.T. Australia	1/6 1/2

BUYING

4 m/s L/C London	1/34
4 m/s D/P London	1/34
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	24 1/2
4 m/s France	Nom.
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	4.03 1/2

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

H.K. Banks	1,410 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.)	81 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.)	85 n.
Chartered	82 1/2 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.	23 n.
Mercantile, C.	11 1/2 n.
East Asia	76 n.

Cantons S.	210 b.
Unions S.	410 b.
China Underwriters	1 n.
H.K. Fire	105 b.

Douglas S.	135 n.
Steamboats S.	11 n.
Indo-China P. S.	100 n.
Indo-China D. S.	60 n.
Shell (Bearers) S.	44 1/2 n.
Waterbotts S.	7 n.

Wharves S.	98 n.
Docks (old) S.	18 n.
Docks (new) S.	16 n.
Providents S.	52 1/2 n.
S'hai Dockyards S.	36 n.

Kailan S.	18 n.
Raub S.	8 n.
H.K. Mines	1 1/4 cts. n.

Hotel S.	3.60 s.
Land S.	34.35 s.
Land 4% Debentures	100 s.
Shui Lands Sh. S.	14 n.
Humphreys S.	7.05 n.
H.K. Estates S.	3.05 n.
Chinese Estates S. x d.	38 n.

Trams S.	18.40 s.
Peaks Tram (old) S.	7 1/2 n.
Peak Trams (new) S.	3 1/2 n.
Star Ferries S.	62 s.
Y. Ferries S.	24 1/2 n.
China Lights (old) S.	6.30 s.
China Lights (new) S.	1.97 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric (old) S.	40 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric (new) S.	39 1/2 n.
Macao Electric (old) S.	17 1/2 n.
Macao Electric (new) S.	10 1/2 n.
Sandakan Lights S.	11 1/2 n.
Telephones (old) S.	25 1/2 n.
Telephones (new) S.	10.20 n.

Cald. Macg. (Ord.) Sh.	30 n.
Cald. Macg. (Prof.) Sh.	25 n.
Canton Ice S.	1 n.
Cements S.	18 n.
H.K. Ropes S.	9 1/4 s. & sa.

Dairy Farms S.	19.20 n.
Watsons S.	11.10 n.
Lane Crawfords S.	7 1/2 n.
Sincere S.	2.15 n.
Wing On (H.K.) S.	39 n.
Powell Ltd. S.	1.90 n.

Ewo Sh. S.	50 1/2 n.
Shai Cotton Sh. S.	205 n.

H.K. Govt. 4% S.	95 1/4 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/4% (1934) S.	92 1/4 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/4% (1940) S.	92 1/4 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G.S.Bds. S.	42 1/2 n.
H.K. Entertainments S.	7 b.
Constructions (old) S.	1.02 n.
Constructions (new) S.	1 n.
Vibro Piling S.	7.70 n.
Marsmans Inv. (Lon.) S.	7/8 n.
Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) S.	2/8 n.

Barentu Captured By British

Cairo, Feb. 3.

The British occupation of Barentu, in Eritrea, and the continuance of the British pursuit of the enemy in Abyssinia are recorded in a communiqué as follows:—
Libya. Preparations for the continuation of our advance from Derna are proceeding.
Eritrea. As a result of our operations the enemy have evacuated the town of Barentu which we occupied on Sunday. Meanwhile, in the northern sector, our mechanised troops are pressing back Italian forces which are withdrawing towards Keren.
Abyssinia. Our pursuit of the enemy forces retreating toward Gondar continues as a result of which the Italians have been obliged to abandon and destroy quantities of material and stores of all kinds. South African forces have occupied two Italian frontier posts, 10 miles inside the enemy border of the Durana front.
Italian Somaliland. Vigorous activity by our patrols continues, extending and deepening our penetration across the Italian frontier—
Reuter.

Quiet Marriage Celebrated

The marriage was quietly celebrated at St. Joseph's Church on January 20 of Captain F. W. A. Glossop, of the Royal Scots, and Miss Beatrice Pestonji.

The groom is the only son of the late Lieut.-Colonel W. H. N. Glossop and Miss Glossop, and the bride the younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Pestonji of Kowloon.
Given away by her father, the bride wore a gown of white French satin, having a draped, heart-shaped neckline, light fitting sleeves and short train. Her veil of white tulle was caught at the head with white orchids, and her bouquet was of white orchids tied with a white satin bow.
For her bridesmaid the bride had Miss Margaret Parsons, who wore gold tissue with Elizabethan sleeves, and carried a bouquet of multi-coloured gladioli. In her hair she had a spray of similar flowers.
Lieut. K. L. M. Buchanan, of the Royal Scots, attended the groom as best man and Rev. Fr. J. Ward, Chaplain to the Forces, was the officiating priest. During the service Fr. A. Likantani was at the organ.
The reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, Humphreys Buildings, where Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith proposed the couple's health, and the bride's mother received the guests. She was gowned in black and gold patterned French satin, with black tulle and gloves to match. Others present were Captain J. A. H. Douglas, Mrs. D. Lambert and Mr. A. K. Dimond.

N.Y.K. Manager Leaves Colony

After two and a half years in Hongkong, the manager of the N.Y.K. branch, Mr. Yasuzo Yajima, left on transfer to Shanghai by the Nippon Maru on Sunday.
He has been succeeded by Mr. Rokuro Ono, who was formerly N.Y.K. sub-manager.
Mr. Yajima, who was very popular with the Japanese community, was Chairman of the Japanese Residents' Association. He founded a Japanese shrine (Hongkong Jintsha) in the premises of the Japanese Primary School in Kennedy Road in October last year.
A farewell banquet in honour of Mr. Yajima was held at the Hongkong Hotel last week. More than 80 prominent Japanese residents, including the Consul-General, Mr. Sheikh Yano, attended the dinner party.

LORD LLOYD WEAKER

London, Feb. 3.
The Colonial Secretary, Lord Lloyd, who is still in a nursing home in London, had a fair night last night, but is a little weaker, according to a Colonial Office announcement—
Reuter Bulletin.

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Military Band Music with Percy Heming (Baritone)

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Lalo—Symphonie Espagnole for Violin and Orchestra, Op. 21—Bronislaw Huberman (Violin) and the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Variety.

2.15 Close Down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Mendelssohn—Quartet in D Major, Op. 44, No. 1—Stradivarius String Quartet.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour".

7.30 Portuguese Programme.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Harry Ore (Piano) playing Tchaikovsky's Sonata in G Major, Op. 37.

8.30 Light Classics—"London Again" Suite: (a) Langham Place, (b) Oxford Street, The London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Richard Cream; "Tales of Hoffmann"—Vocal Gems, Grand Opera Company with Orchestra; The Violin Song, L'Honneur Exquisite, Albert Sandier (Violin) with Orchestra; "Piano"—Samanthi (Cello); "Mignon"—Vocal Gems, Grand Opera Company with Orchestra; Knightsbridge March, Philip Green and His Orchestra; Drake's Drum, Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Male Chorus and Orchestra.

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.30 London Relay—Talk: "Scots Abroad".

9.45 Scottish Songs by Harry Lauder (Baritone) with Orchestra, Jean Day (Soprano) with Piano and Alexander MacGregor (Baritone) with Piano acc.

10.05 Variety—Glamorous Night, Mary Ellis (Soprano) with Orchestra; Sing a Song of Harvest, Just Let Me Look At You, Kenny Baker with Orchestra; When the Gipsy Played, Mary Ellis (Soprano) with Orchestra; Good Luck, We Must All Slick Together, Murugudoy and Winterbottom with Orchestra; Dance "Hill"—Moley, New Mayfair Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; More Chestnut Corner, Arthur Askey and Richard Murdoch; The Seagull Song, Arthur Askey with Piano acc.; Love Story in My Heart, Remember September, Les Allen with Instrumental acc.; Top of the World, Selection, Eddie Carroll with String Bass and Drums and Vocal by Gwen Jones; Moonlight, How Can I Face This Weared World Along, Ethel Waters with Orchestra acc.

11.00 Close Down.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday, says: The market was generally quiet with an easier tone.

Buyers

Banks of East Asia \$70
Canton Ins. \$210
Union Ins. \$410
H.K. Fire Ins. \$105
Lights "O" \$6.10
Electric "O" \$40.25
Electric "N" \$39.75
Ropes \$8.80
Entertainments \$7

Sellers

Providents \$5.85
Hotels \$3.60
Lands 4% Debentures \$100
Trams \$18.40
Star Ferries \$82
Lights "O" \$6.30
Electric "O" \$41
Ropes \$9.25

Sales

H.K. Banks \$1,405
Docks "N" \$17
Lands \$34.35
Electric "O" \$40.75
Ropes \$9.25

POST OFFICE

The following increased postage rates for letters will be effective as from 1st February 1941.

Places in the Colony, 5 cents for each ounce or part of an ounce. British possessions, protectorates and mandated territories, 20 cents for the first ounce and 10 cents for each additional ounce or part of an ounce. China, and Mexico, 8 cents for each ounce or part of an ounce. All countries not specified above, 30 cents for the first ounce and 15 cents for each additional ounce or part of an ounce.

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended: Yunnan, Szechuen, Kweichow, Hunan, Fukien (except Amoy and Kulungsu), Kwangsi (except Wuchow and Yungshien), North and East of Kwangtung.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

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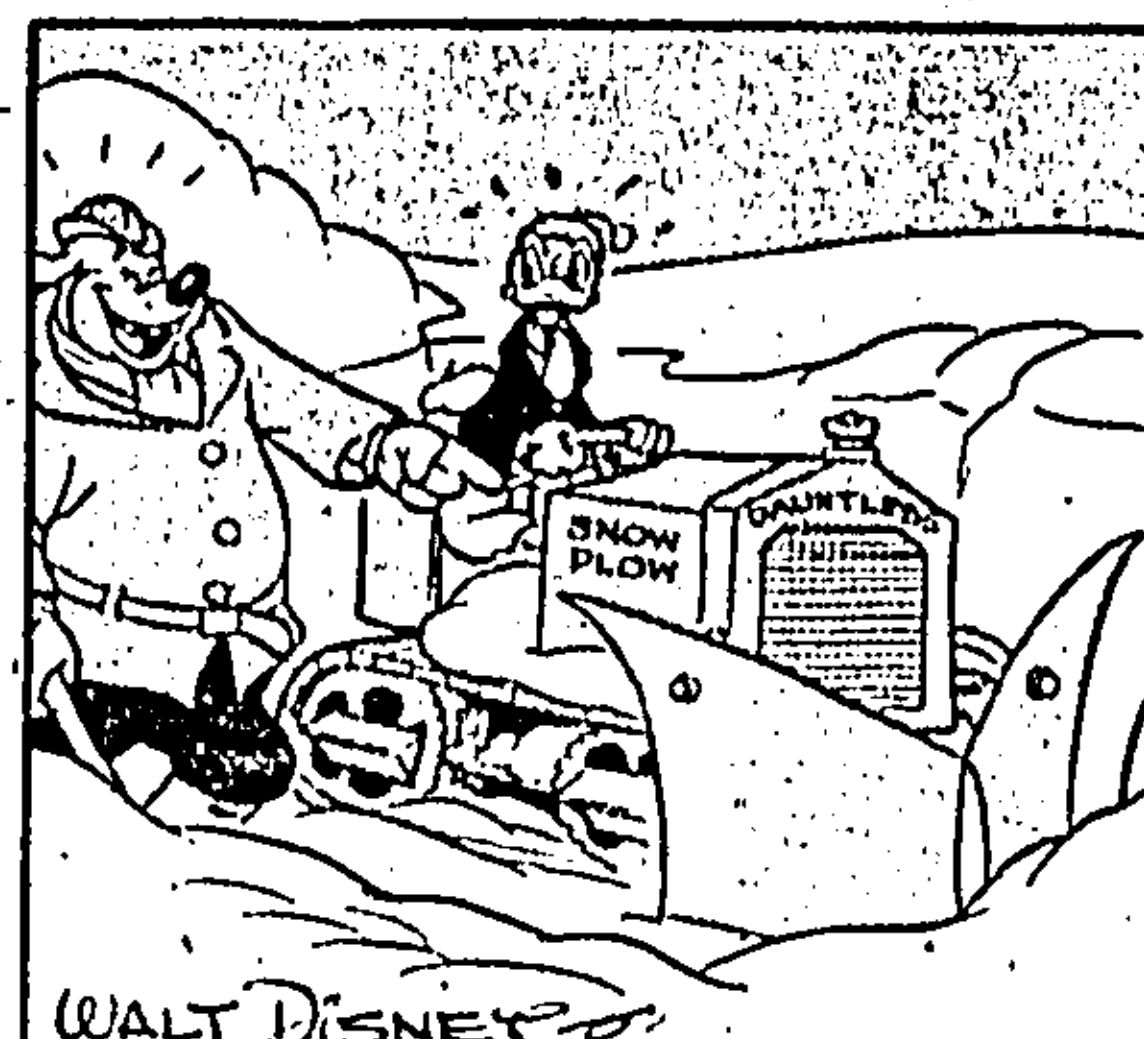
Australia and ManilaFeb. 4.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 29th JanuaryFeb. 5.
Java and ManilaFeb. 5.
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Straits and Air Mail by "British Overseas Airways Service" by Sea from SingaporeFeb. 6.
Calcutta and StraitsFeb. 6.
Straits and Air Mail by "British Overseas Airways Service" by Sea from SingaporeFeb. 6.
CantonFeb. 7.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date 17th January)Feb. 8.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 4th FebruaryFeb. 11.
CantonFeb. 11.
United-Kingdom and Straits Feb. 12.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 24th Jan.)Feb. 14.
Java and ManilaFeb. 14.
United-Kingdom and Straits Feb. 15.
SandakanFeb. 17.
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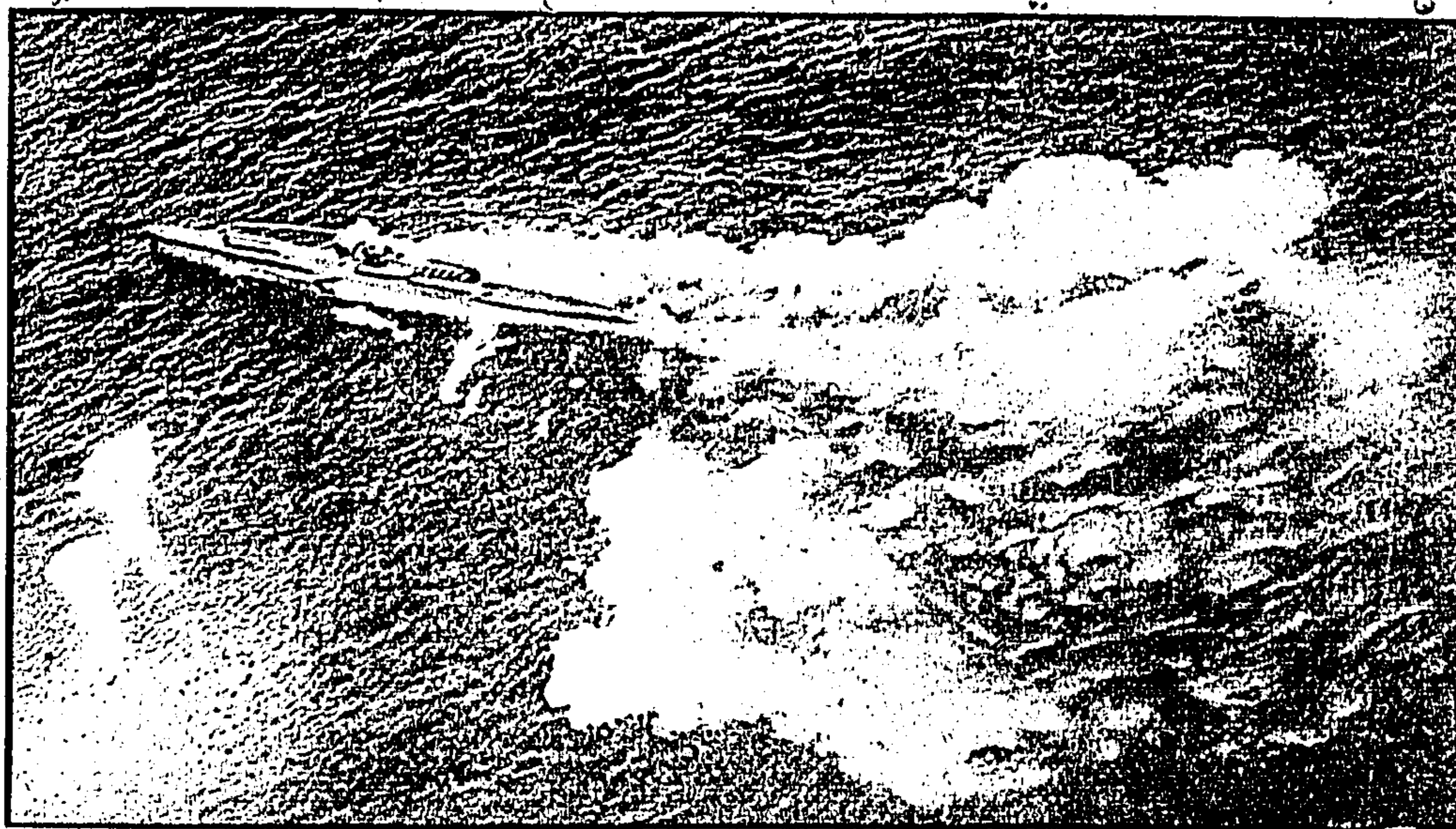
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NEWS IN PICTURES

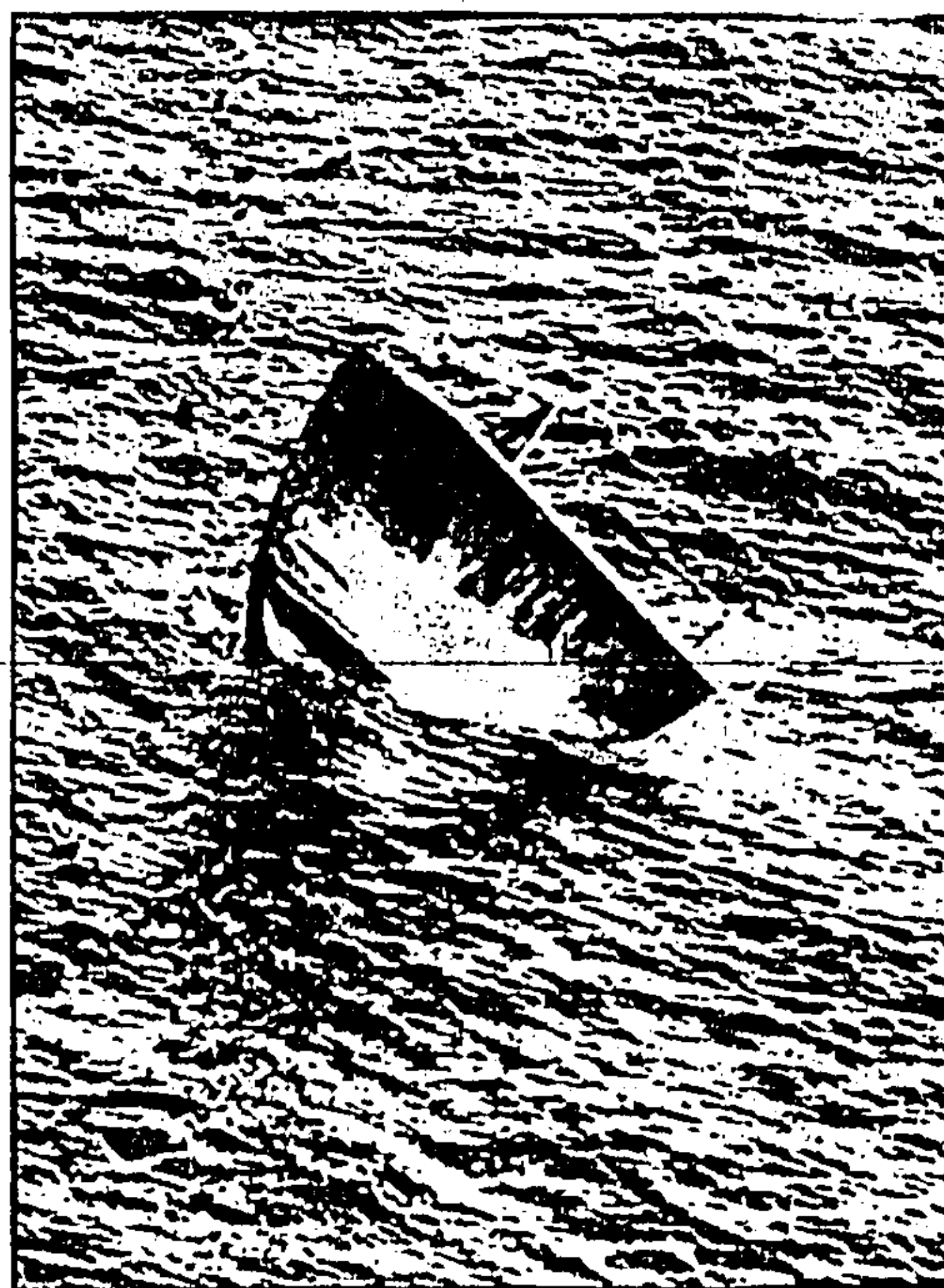


GIRLS busy knitting sea boot stockings are from the Beal Modern School, Ilford, and are billeted in the Government Camp School at Fimmamore Wood Camp, Bucks.

THE HUNT WAS OVER—SHE WAS DOOMED



THE END of yet another Italian submarine is shown here. For hours she was shadowed by a British destroyer in the Mediterranean until forced by depth charges to come to the surface. In the lower picture she is making the final plunge after the "kill."



LEARNING TO USE a typewriter is just as important to some soldiers as learning to shoot. Canadians in Britain are attending a school of commerce so they can fill clerical positions at Canadian Divisional Headquarters.



THE LORD MAYOR OF MANCHESTER (Alderman G. Harold White) firing the first shot when he opened a miniature rifle range at Withington, Manchester, for the training of members of the South Manchester battalion of the Home Guard. Firing with him is Captain B. H. Rothband, O.C. of the battalion.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Young salmon
2—Favor
3—Termination of relief
4—Medicinal plant
5—Muttan's decree
6—Pathway
7—Jump
8—Unlabeled post
9—Famous singer
10—Woman's name in "The Flare"
11—Healer
12—Carpenter's tool
13—City in Illinois
14—Held together
15—Hanging snow and ice
16—Escaped
17—Strain (abbr.)
18—Horn
19—Atmosphere
20—Grapes
21—Lion
22—Don of Isaac
23—One who receives portion
24—Writer of essays
25—Heartbeats
26—Bladed plant
27—Night before
28—Threedeked galler
29—Organs of sensation
30—Was carried
31—Completed
32—Wear
33—To shelter side

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

DOWN

1—Dark cloth
2—Away from wind
3—Reddish brown
4—Healed
5—Having muscles
6—Kali
7—Animal's foot
8—Perfectly
9—Heavy salt
10—Complaint
11—Stop
12—Combining form: within
13—Consume by use
14—Unusual
15—Food regimen
16—Small worm
17—Blow
18—Mistakes
19—Thru
20—Blade used to
21—At no time
22—Gear-wheel
23—British landing
24—Oriental native
25—Agree
26—Note in Guido's scale
27—Lion
28—Pushed (nautical)
29—Turned aside
30—Arrest
31—Trailer car
32—Part in play
33—Middle of March
34—Very bad
35—Gaelic language
36—Plant spore
37—Quick
38—Before

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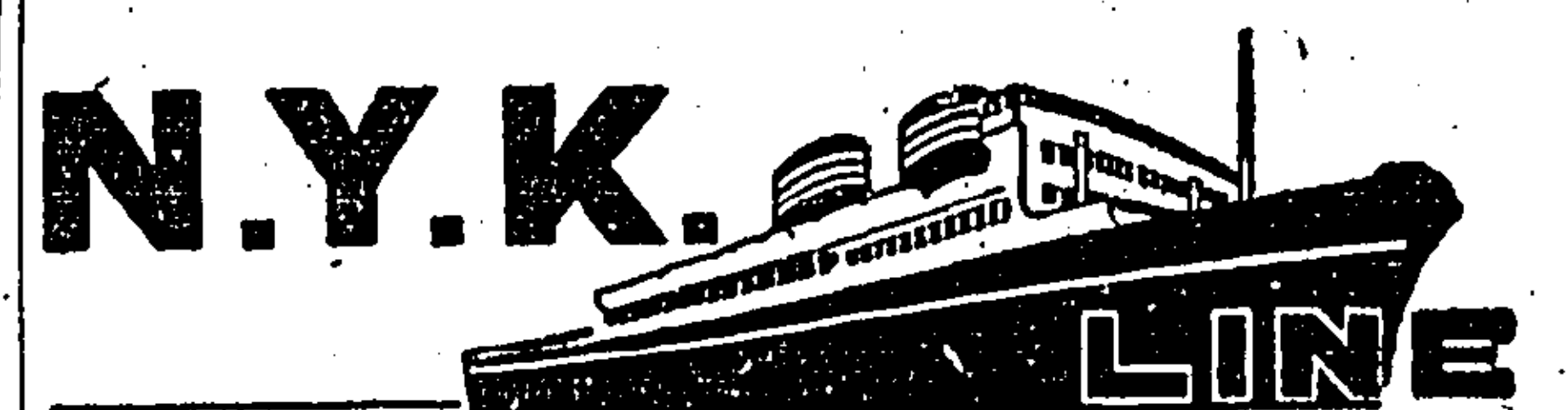
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Tatuta Maru	Tuesday,	25th Feb.	
SEATTLE & VANCOUVER (Starts from Kobe)			
Hilo Maru	Wednesday,	12th Mar.	
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Hilo & San Francisco			
Sanuki Maru (starts from Kobe)	Thursday,	20th Feb.	
NEW YORK via Japan & Panama			
Nosiro Maru	Saturday,	15th Feb.	
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila			
Husimi Maru	Wednesday,	20th Feb.	
SAIGON			
Dakar Maru	Sunday,	23rd Feb.	
(Cargo accepted for Saigon)			
BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo			
Libon Maru	Tuesday,	11th Feb.	
RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore			
Turuga Maru	Friday,	7th Feb.	
Kobe & YOKOHAMA			
Libon Maru	Thursday,	6th Feb.	
Asama Maru	Tuesday,	11th Feb.	
Tatuta Maru	Tuesday,	25th Feb.	
Atuta Maru	Monday,	3rd Mar.	
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SCIENCE-FRIEND OR FOE?

Present trials have caused some people to say hard things about science. Others are clamouring for science, and still more science, so that we may win the war as speedily as possible. It is a paradoxical situation, with which Professor Julian Huxley dealt in a broadcast recently.

It is useless, as well as unfair, to blame science for the troubles that have been inflicted upon the world by a small group of unscrupulous men in high places. Hitler and his kind believe that with new methods of scientific destruction they have the means to make themselves supreme throughout Europe, if not throughout the globe. That is the disease. Science, as applied by Britain and her allies and friends, will have to supply and apply the remedy.

We saw how the magnetic mine was speedily disposed of. The U-boat, by means of Asdic apparatus and other devices, seemed for a time to have been conquered. Now it has presented us with a new crop of problems, which doubtless will also be solved in time, as will be that other group of problems presented by the night bomber which unloads its cargo promiscuously upon our large towns.

In each of these cases Germany has an advantage by reason of her defiance of the laws of warfare and of humanity. It is for science to break her, and Britain has a body of scientists second to none. The main essential is that they should be given the fullest opportunity to develop their ideas, on which the future of our civilisation and our way of life depends.

In peace as in war it would probably be a great gain if science could be brought into more intimate practical relation with all ranks of the State. As Sir William Bragg has emphasised, much may be lost if science be treated by our rulers mostly as something apart, to be called upon only in times of dire emergency.

German military thinkers, says the author, who is the Military Expert of the "New York Post," know they cannot beat Britain directly in battle. Hand in hand with the bombings in the Midlands, the Axis plan now is to make the British use up men and munitions in the Mediterranean. That, he says, is

The Axis Grand Strategy

By FLETCHER PRATT

England is now in the most perilous position she has occupied since the beginning of the war. So are we.

The Coventry - Birmingham raids, the wave of submarine sinkings and the Axis diplomatic drive toward the Mediterranean are parts of a deadly dangerous offensive.

None of the three carries a threat to bring the British Empire down with a sudden crash as did the invasion nightmare of last summer. But that was always more of a Nazi hope than a practical possibility. Its fulfilment was based on the idea that Goering's fliers would be able to drive the R.A.F. from the skies over the Channel and the Royal Navy from its surface.

Before the war German military thinkers, such as Count Puckler, Fortsch, Haushofer and von Kuremburg were unanimous in warning their countrymen that they could not beat England directly in battle. She was vulnerable, they said, only because of the complicated web of her financial and industrial structure.

Seek To Divert Britain

The current German winter offensive is an attack on that structure. The drive in the Mediterranean is only the first element of that attack. It has direct objec-

tives—the oil of the Near East and seizure of the Mediterranean outlets. But in the field of Axis grand strategy, even these objectives are of minor importance. To the leaders in Berlin it does not greatly matter whether they are attained. Indeed, it is rather to their advantage that the Italians should be beaten. It keeps Mussolini from considering himself the equal of the big boss at Berchtesgaden.

The true objective is merely to force England to make a great effort in the Mediterranean; to expend quantities of men and munitions fighting the Italians. Germany can and undoubtedly will send forces to that area—probably through Bulgaria, possibly through Spain. But it is obvious how great Germany's gain would be if the

British were forced to expend 50 per cent of their munitions production in the East while the Nazis were using only 25 per cent of their own to hold the English even.

Drive On Industry

For the true objective of the attack is the British munitions industry; the second arm of the offensive is the direct drive on that industry in the bombing of the Midlands. Let us suppose for a moment that few factories were seriously hit at Coventry and Birmingham. Thousands of workers have nevertheless been left homeless, the essential services have been destroyed. This cannot but seriously affect factory production.

The worst feature is that the British defences have so far been totally unable to halt the attack. German losses during the raids were insignificant. The bombings can therefore be expected to continue and to increase in intensity. Meanwhile,

Germany draws on the factory production of an entire continent. Three weeks ago the House of Commons was told that Germany was turning out three times as much steel as England.

This means Germany is arming for the spring campaign of 1941 three times as fast as England; more than three times, since much of the British effort is going East. What direction that Nazi spring drive will take there is little present indication, and it may be the Nazi High Command has not even decided as yet. The only certainty is that there will be a big push and Germany is now labouring to cripple England's ability to meet it.

Outside Help Vital

American and Canadian war supplies of all kinds thus become daily important to England. This is where the third blow of the combined German attack falls—the air and submarine offensive against the ships ferrying supplies across the Atlantic. At present this is the most dangerous offensive of all. For it must have been evident to the British authorities for some time since that they could not produce the machines of war on a scale to compare with the Germans.

The island of Britain is more and more becoming only a place of arms, an advanced base from which we, united with the other Anglo-Saxon peoples, are conducting our war against the dictators. We are too deeply in it now to get out short of victory. Unfortunately, our industry has not yet realized the position, and as Dr Fritz Sternberg has pointed out, England has so far received little more from us than Germany gained by capturing the mechanical industries of Belgium.

PRIVATE LIFE OF A PRIVATE

MAN TO MAN

Extracts from the diary of a journalist now in the Army.

"YOU may talk," says the Sergeant, "about Chemical Warfare, and High Explosive, and Aeroplanes, and Tanks, and Gas, and Death Rays, and any other ruddy things you like."

"But let me tell you one thing. In the end, it's the manpower that counts."

The lad from the Elephant and Castle, who is never at a loss for some back-answer, says: "Tanks."

"Oh, Tanks," says the Sergeant, and pauses ominously. You can see it coming a mile away—the Lad from the Elephant says: "Don't mention it."

"You horrible little man," says the Sergeant. "One more crack out of you and you go straight in the hole as fast as you do—get to grips with the

your legs can carry you. Or faster."

"Tanks are like, say, a barber's scissors. You can cut down the big stuff with them; but for the fine, close cutting you need clippers and razors."

"Tanks and so on are marvelous things. But let me tell you this. In a war there always comes a time when you've got to meet the enemy man-to-man."

"Besides, you don't occupy a place with tanks, but with men. So you go over; and that's where blood tells."

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"I've seen men who lay under a barrage and laughed at it, breaking and running when the bayonets came."

"So we teach you bayonet-fighting. You may never need crack out of you and you go to use it. Personally, I hope straight in the hole as fast as you do—get to grips with the

so-and-so's and settle it all quick."

"You may have heard that Jerry can't stand cold steel. Don't let that give you a wrong impression. Jerry is taught the bayonet the same as you."

"But you've always been better at it because you want to fight him with it."

"It's part of the British character. I've never seen such madness, such crazy enthusiasm as British soldiers work up when it comes to a bayonet charge. And some fellows say we're a nation of shopkeepers!"

"You'll spend hours and hours learning the bayonet, which you may never need to use. If you do use it you'll only be in action with it for a matter of minutes."

"But minutes like that win a war."

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"So when I say 'On Guard!' I want to see your rifle fly up. I want to see your left arm slightly bent, and your fingers go white round the small of the butt, and a determined expression on your faces."

"And give that dummy hell! Go through it! Left arm forward, right arm against the butt—it's the boxing attitude, get it?—and boxing is an Englishman's sport."

"And when I say 'Point!' let me see those pig-stickers jump forward so fast that my eye can't follow them! Just a three or four-inch jab in the throat is all any man needs."

"Now. On Guard! As you were. On Guard! As you were. ON GUARD! Better. Now. Point and remain! As you were."

"Smarter yet—point and remain! Better. Withdraw and remain! Pass through."

The lad from the Elephant says: "Ow can you see our bayonets jump forward so fast your eye can't follow them? If your eye can't follow them..."

He catches the Sergeant's eye and shuts up.

When Is An Alien Not An Alien?

WHEN is an alien not an alien?

While he is a member of his Majesty's Forces, or of an Allied force engaged in war on the side of Britain, or a foreign force maintained for service in association with Britain.

An Order in Council has been issued to this effect, but power is reserved for the Home Secretary to modify it if necessary.



THE YANKS ARE HUMMING!

MATSUOKA UNDER NAZI GUIDANCE

ENGLISH PRESS ON JAPAN'S FATAL POLICY OF FORCIBLE EXPANSION

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—An article in "The Times" entitled "Japanese Policy Adrift" sums up the trend of Japanese foreign policy in recent years. It begins on the night of September 18, 1931, when Japan in Manchuria set out on the long road which so far has shown no turning though her leaders are acquiring a certain dexterity in persuading the Japanese public and to a lesser extent the world, that the effect usually precedes the cause.

First they shaped shadows which events cast before them, and then created the events themselves, and by that process ultimately proved, at any rate to their own satisfaction, the justice of the action they thereupon felt inevitably called to take.

At the time of the Manchurian incident, the world was caught napping, and was not yet alive to the new technique which has since become commonplace.

Even Hitler did not disdain to borrow from the Japanese when he began to be threatened by small nations and over ran them in self-defence.

The Manchurian incident was also responsible for the formation of the habit of inventing military slogans. In 1931 much was heard of the "Thirty million oppressed people of Manchuria." Round figures readily roll off the tongues of Japanese orators.

But in due course the feeling of oppression was allegedly being removed from thirty million Manchurians, and one began to hear a good deal about the oppressed millions in China, who ran to much larger, but nevertheless, round figures.

It is entirely without significance that now we are beginning to hear of the oppressed people of Indo-China, Malaya, Burma, etc. (in round figures) groaning under the yoke of the white man?

Weighing Matsuoka Words
The recent speech of the Japanese Foreign Minister before the Diet was full of slogans, and Mr Matsuoka had not gone very far before he quite gratuitously, he alleged that accounts of the Italian reverses (which the Italians admitted themselves) were malicious propaganda.

He was cordial to the Axis, formally friendly to the Soviet Union, formally friendly to the South American States, and vaguely menacing to Indo-China, Thailand, and the Netherlands East Indies.

But the real significance of the speech was that there emerged the unmistakable shadow of encirclement by the British Empire and the United States, and one can almost hear the voice of Germany.

The British Empire is engaged in the greatest struggle of all time with a powerful tenacious foe, and the U.S.A. whose main and publicly declared endeavour is to assist the Empire in the struggle, can nevertheless spare time and trouble to encircle Japan.

It is hardly credible, but anyone who believes Germany, and there is some reason to believe leaders of Japan to-day do, will believe anything. Is the shadow of encirclement the shadow that precedes events; is the event, in its turn, of a shape which will call for action, just and inevitable? It would all be in accordance with the technique described in the first paragraph of this article, yet it seems hardly credible that Japan would resort to so disastrous and suicidal a course.

Japan And Versailles
The war of 1914-18 offered unparalleled opportunities for the expansion of trade. As a signatory to the Treaty of Versailles (in fact conveniently overlooked both by Germany and Japan), Japan benefited by the fruits of victory and secured, among other things, a mandate over the German Marshall and Caroline Islands, details of whose administration and development she has been curiously reluctant to divulge to the world at large for some time past.

As a result of enormous sacrifice of blood and treasure by the Allies, compared with which the drain on Japan's own resources was infinitesimal, she enjoyed years of great prosperity and

peace and ordered government and growing world trade.

The speculative tendency of Japanese finance meant that the great slump in 1929 struck Japan, even more severely than most other nations, but the fashion was then not so prevalent of blaming others for one's own ills, and until the autumn of 1931, she pursued a sane, if arduous, policy of trying to restore her trade and financial position to normal means.

The Chinese Market
She did more; she pursued an inevitable right policy of trying to cultivate Chinese friendship. This was the only way she could hope to secure that large share of the Chinese market which close proximity and cheap manufactures would entitle her.

But the long record of Sino-Japanese animosity, dating particularly from the war of 1894-5 and the 21 demands of 1915, were not easily eradicated.

The virtues of the patient perseverance which won Japan the respect of other countries in bygone days tended to be obscured during the rapid rise of a nation of ambitious materialists. This gave certain elements in the Army an opportunity in 1931 to attempt a short cut to prosperity.

Japan was launched upon the path of aggression as opposed to that of conciliation, and the settlement of disputes by force instead of negotiation.

Stepping Stones
When Manchuria had fallen and a puppet regime established, it became clear as early as 1935 that China, proper, or at any rate North China, formed the next stepping stone of the Japanese.

The expansion of hostilities began in 1937 and has continued nearly four years. It has caused suffering to millions of people and it has led to the occupation of all parts of China and many great cities, but it has not yet brought Japan what she has sought, nor has it altered the will of the Chinese people to be masters of their own destiny.

The Japanese public did not suppose for a moment that the campaign against China would be anything but a short and glorious affair. To explain the prolongation of the conflict it became necessary to lay the blame on somebody, and while many were blamed, the fashion grew of portraying Great Britain as the chief villain of the piece.

Britain's Elimination
This was more natural because Britain has wider interests and possessions in China than any other Power. Her elimination, therefore, was the primary objective in the eventual elimination of all western influence from China. While the sympathy of the British people has in the main been with the Chinese and while like other countries Britain has rendered certain material assistance, neither sympathy nor such limited assistance would in itself have been responsible for the vigour of the Chinese resistance; for this Japan can claim the credit.

By attempting to dominate China, she has aroused in the Chinese nation a unity, will to resist and a combative spirit which had never previously been seen in a normally peace-loving people. What Japan has aroused she seeks to quell; perhaps it is not surprising that she seeks to lay the blame elsewhere.

Opportunity of This War
With the apparent impact in China, the war in Europe appeared to present possibilities to Japan. During the preliminary inactivity she was content to remain passive but when at the end of June, 1940, Germany could claim to have over-run and conquered Poland, Denmark, Norway, Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg and France there was surely proof, if proof was ever needed, that aggression does pay.

Japan changed government and the new government, of which Mr Yosuke Matsuoka has been the spokesman, after a little preliminary hesitation, signed a pact with Germany and Italy, openly renouncing Japan with Britain's enemies, and threatening the U.S.A. if she dared to intervene.

It was perhaps a pity that already by the time the pact was signed, it became apparent that the immediate overthrow of Great Britain promised by Hitler to the world at large and Japan in particular was unlikely.

U.S.A. Causes Hesitation
When this fact became patent and at the same time the U.S.A. displayed the most lively and apparently unexpected reactions to the pact, there was indeed a degree of hesitation in Japan and the world was puzzled to learn one moment that the pact did not mean what it said, and the next that it meant precisely that.

But Germany was at hand and whispered in Japan's ears that all was well; that the U.S.A. was not ready for war and could be frightened with a few sturdy threats; that Britain's destruction was deferred only to make it more effective.

Hitler Creates Party To Withstand Petain

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—The official announcement by Vichy that Admiral Darlan has left for Paris crowns a day of conflicting rumours in connection with his intentions and whereabouts.

During Monday morning, the Swiss radio stated that he had gone to Paris—a statement which was supported later by the Budapest radio which added that Admiral Darlan had been informed by the German authorities that further conversations would be useless until Vichy clearly realised the position created by the establishment of Rassemblement National Populaire—a Nazi inspired party in occupied France.

Subsequent reports suggested that Admiral Darlan hoped to find a mean between the Vichy Government and the new National Party.

The success or otherwise of Darlan's efforts in Paris may conceivably have an important bearing on the immediate European developments.

Men In New Party
LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—Leaders of the new Nazi-inspired party in Paris, the Rassemblement National Populaire, were attacked to-night by the Lyons radio which was emphatic that the party had no connection with the organisation of National Revolution formed under the patronage of Marshal Petain.

"We are obliged to place on record the qualities of the men who form this assembly. Among them are Guy and Rivolt, who have ceaselessly opposed the Marshal's Government. The presence will also be noted of Deloncle, head of the Caroullards (hooded men). Finally the support of a number of Freemasons may be noted."

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Chungking Sympathy With Terrorist Victim
CHUNGKING, Feb. 4 (Central News).—Central government authorities expressed deep sympathy for the death of Mr. Chin Huan-ting, Editor of the "Shun Pao" in Shanghai, who was shot dead yesterday afternoon.

They highly praised his courage in continuing his newspaper work in Shanghai though blacklisted by the Wang Ching-wai regime.

U. S. National Debt
WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (UP).—The House Ways and Means Committee to-day approved the Bill to increase the national debt limit from \$49,000,000,000 to \$65,000,000,000.

Mass Arrests Follow Rumania's Bloody Week
LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—Five thousand arrests have been made in Rumania in a comb-out by the police following the recent Iron Guard revolt, according to the Bucharest radio. The police are still searching for arms in the homes of persons who took part in the revolt.

Over 100 lorry-loads of goods looted during the revolt have been recovered by the authorities.

The Bucharest radio adds that assurances of fidelity to General Antonescu, Iron Guard leader, are pouring in from penitent Iron Guards from all over the country.

They say that they were misled by "dishonest leaders who betrayed the faith of M. Codreanu, founder of the Iron Guard."

Losses And Thefts
Mr S. F. Balfour reports that between February 2 and 3 some one entered his bungalow at Aberdeen and stole money, clothing and jewellery to the value of \$250.

Bdm. Jordan of the Royal Scots has reported to the Police the loss of an aboc, valued at \$320, between February 1 and 3.

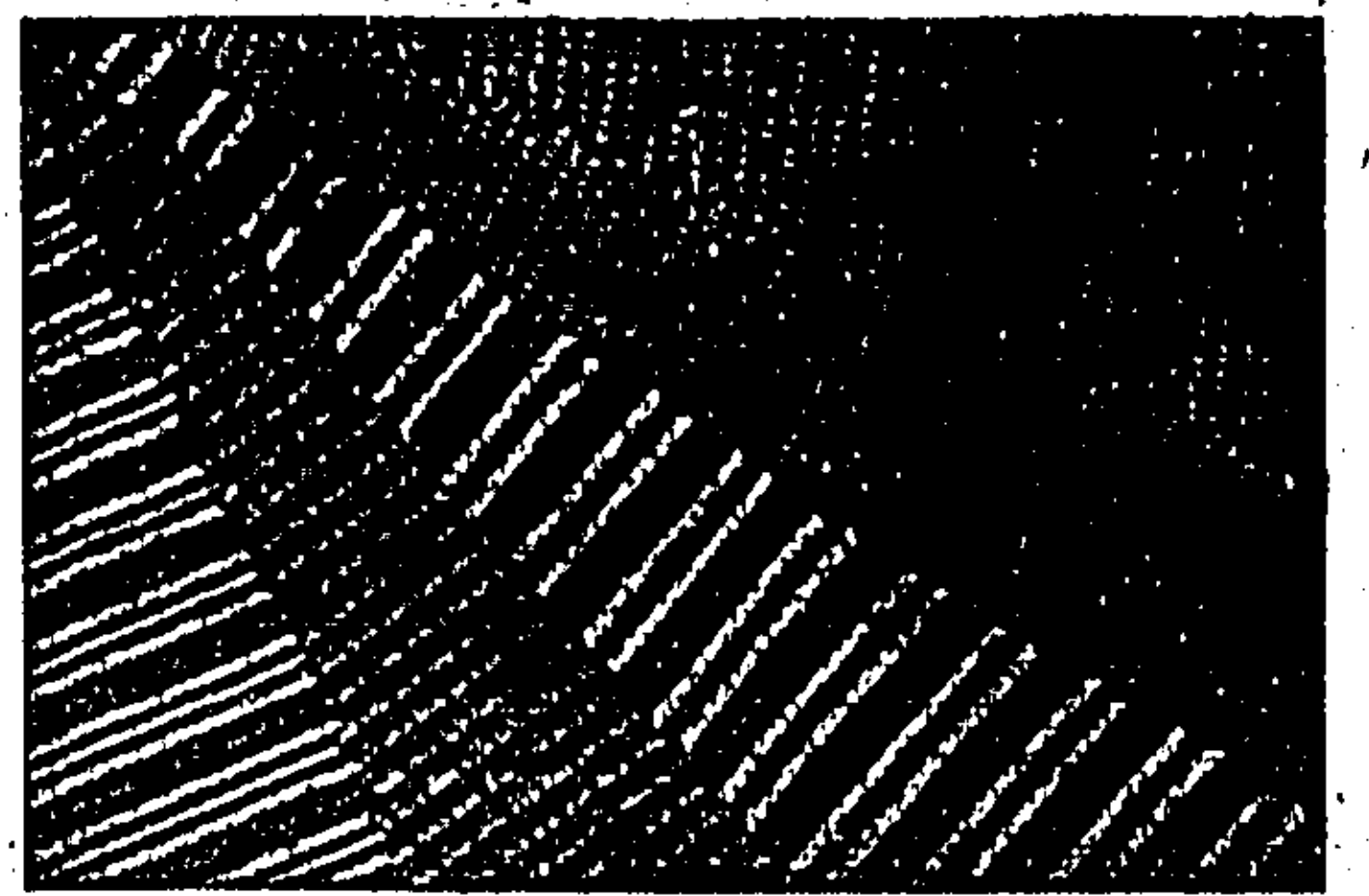
Counsel Repays Man Who Saved His Life
DEFENDING a boy of 10 who was charged at Chelmsford recently with stealing Mr Frederick Levy, the barrister said:

"A bomb fell on the Temple, in London, and I was buried. I was dug out and the man who saved my life, a fireman, is the father of the boy I am pleading for."

"I feel I owe it to him to do all I can for his son, who may turn out to be as good a man as his father."

The boy was placed on probation.

Nazi Planes Bomb Italian Prisoners
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Feb. 3 (UP).—The Admiralty announced that two aircraft, believed to have been German, last Friday attacked a merchantman carrying Italian prisoners from Libya, killing and wounding many.



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Chinese Reports From South Honan Front

LOYANG, Feb. 3 (Central News).—The Japanese troops engaged in a northward drive in south Honan have suffered serious losses.

Their central column attacking Siping on the Peiping-Hankow Railway has been subjected to heavy pounding by the Chinese and the casualties number thousands.

To the east of the Peiping-Hankow Railway a Japanese column pushing northward from Shanghai suffered surprise assaults.

Severe fighting raged for five days at Shianghokwan and Shingting. The Chinese captured more than 100 heavy and light machine-guns, 1,200 rifles and 300 army horses.

The Japanese pushing westward from Paoany to Fancheng are now retreating southeastward. The Chinese have recaptured Fancheng, Paoany, Tushuchen and Chaochukang.

Shangfengho, a town north of Wu-yang, west of the Peiping-Hankow Railway, which was occupied by the Japanese, was recaptured by the Chinese last night. The Japanese bent a retreat to Wu-yang.

West Chekiang Front
WEST CHEKIANG FRONT, Feb. 3 (Central News).—Chinese troops succeeded in forcing an entry into Changning on the west bank of the Taihu Lake on January 31. Areas to

the west and south of the city were occupied at dawn.

Casualties were inflicted on the Japanese during fighting in the main street leading to the north city gate.

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"R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments

Reflections On K.C.C. - H.K.C.C. Match

Is Kowloon's Batting Strength Over-rated?

Indians' Handicap

OWING to the vagaries of our climate, I have spent a couple of days in bed since I published my accounts of the H.K.C.C. and K.C.C. match and I have had time to reflect on it. I have in consequence rather altered my opinion of the K.C.C. batting, and while I still think it an extremely powerful batting side against bad bowling, I have begun to doubt its soundness.

I do not include Donald Anderson in this statement as I think he just had a bad match. The point that I take is this: In each innings the only serious stand was made between Teddy Fincher and Mackay. But when the batting order was examined it appeared at once that they came together.

Baker and Perry had been bowling for some time. Their first energy was passed and the shine was off the ball. In each case a change of bowling came soon, and the two batsmen had very little difficulty in dealing with the mediocre small change which the Club could call upon. True, Alex Pearce had a wonderful over in the second innings, but it is some years since he has been dangerous, though he can get the runs out better than most. You cannot be the best bat in the Colony and one of its best bowlers at the same time unless you are a sanguinary marvel.

From all this I deduce that the K.C.C. batting appears so strong because it seldom comes up against really good bowling. I trust I shall not give offence when I say this, but I do think this is true of all of them except Anderson and E. C. Fincher.

Lions And Rabbits

THERE was one other interesting thought that came into my mind, and that was why Civil Servants, when playing as members of the Club, behave like lions and then go off to play for C.S.C.C. and behave like (I will not insult lambs) complete rabbits.

It has been most marked this season. As a general rule in a big game they, with about two members of the regular Club side, carry the game. As an instance one has only to refer to the New Year game where Baker and Perry did most of the bowling in the first innings and Griffiths saved the batting.

It is perhaps a good deal to do with grounds. The C.S.C.C. usually give a good account of themselves on the K.C.C. ground.

C.S.C.C. v. Recreio

MY last paragraph was written chiefly because of a phrase I read which a brother scribe had written—"Club de Recreio"—"surprisingly held to a draw by the Civil Service Cricket Club." Now this may be a very fair statement on the performance of C.S.C.C. qua the Club team. But on paper I am by no means satisfied that the C.S.C.C. have not the better side.

It would be tedious to mention all the names, but in batting at least the side should hold its own. In bowling, perhaps, Recreio have a bulge, though I should call Baker a better bowler than E. L. Gosano and Perry better than any other change the Recreio have.

The Civil Service have no left hander it is true—nor a leg break bowler like H. L. Ozorio. But there is not a lot to choose between the attacks to my mind, and I was only surprised at the draw because the game was played at the Civil Service ground where the team's efforts are usually appalling.

I should like to make it clear that I am not belittling the Recreio players but writing up the potential strength of the Civil Service.

In one department the Recreio have the complete half-nelson on the C.S.C.C. Their fielding is brilliant.

The Play

ATTWELL, who is having a lean patch after his mass of runs, failed, but Dick Richardson, who had broken his hoodoo against Recreio in a previous non-league game, knocked up 31 and Perry had 20.

Two members of the side who have been badly out of form this year got going. Colledge and Fortescue, and made 29 and 36 not out respectively. I was told by a good judge that he has never seen Fortescue bat better.

Wright, apart from making a splendid catch, hit up 16 in two overs.

I was amazed to hear that in spite of the fact that Baker had pulled a muscle and could not bowl, and that Whitley was away, the

Recreio made no serious attempt to get the runs.

They took about half an hour to score the first thirty runs of which Soares only scored eight. This is the more surprising as he is one of the hitting type of batsmen, and usually, if he stops half an hour, he has thirty or more to show for it. G. N. Gosano and M. A. Remedios played good knocks.

Richardson wisely kept McEldan and Perry on all the time and they responded nobly, sending down 14 overs apiece.

Kowloon Victory

THE K.C.C. possibly were a little shaken up by their defeat in the China New Year match, and it may have done them good. They met a sporting team in the I.R.C., who, despite the fact that they have only one real bowler, declared at 167 for 8 wickets.

A. H. Madar (41) A. H. Rumjahn (36) and A. R. H. Small (20) all did well at the start of their innings. The K.C.C. batsmen made light of their task, thanks chiefly to Donald Anderson who hit up 74 not out. Minu struggled gallantly and took five of the six wickets that fell, and A. H. Madar kept an end going, but they are sadly in need of a really good bowler to help Minu.

With two good bowlers, the small change they have could eke the attack out much as K.C.C. manage with Lloyd and Francis Zimmerman.

Junior Division

IF only the Civil Service second eleven had done a bit better with the bat they might well have beaten C.C.C., but apart from Ainslie (who, I am glad to see, seems to have emerged from his patch) they did little.

He got 50, and the only other double figure score was 11 by Barrow. Craighenover got 108 for 9 but they were unlucky to lose N. Broadbridge who was hit in the face when he made 21 and J. M. Omar 25—but no one else did much.

Police Two Short

WITH so many calls on their services the Police are making a gallant struggle to carry on. They managed to get K.C.C. out for 134 with an impressive row of four ducks in the middle of the batting.

Baxter got 67 but the only other double figure score was Rapley (24) and E. Curtis (25 not out). As nearly always, Carey got runs (21) and Tyler who has the makings of a good cricketer made 21. But they—nine of them—were out for a total of 74 runs.

Varsity Beaten

THE I.R.C. rather ran riot with the bat and ran up 170 for 7 declared against the Varsity who have not quite fulfilled their early promise. For the I.R.C. M. R. Abbas made 60, and I am wondering if he would not be worth a trial in the first. There were four other double figure scores. University had a bad patch at the start, and though Chelliah (30), Mazza (20) and Amplavanan and Gill (15 apiece) tried to hold the fort, it could not be done, and they only just managed to save the hundred up before succumbing.

Another Big Game

I HAVE heard rumours of an attempt to fix up a return between the full strength of H.K.C.C. and the K.C.C. on the ground of the latter team. The Easter holidays fall in the second week in April, which is perhaps a bit late for cricket, but I don't see much chance of fixing things up comfortably before that, what with camps and things. April 12 and 14 would presumably be the dates. I certainly hope that the game will come off.



The Recreio-Army Junior match at Recreio on Saturday. L/Cpl Stoner playing forward to a rather bouncy one.—Ming Yuen.

Paterson Retains Empire Flyweight Title

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—The British and Empire flyweight boxing championship title was at stake in a fight at Nottingham tonight between Jackie Paterson (Glasgow, holder) and Paddy Ryan (Manchester).

Paterson retained his title when he won in the eighth round, the referee stopping the fight.

France Out Of 1941 Tennis Picture

Petra And Pelizza Are German Prisoners

VICHY, Jan. 29 (UP).—Jean Borotra, world famous tennis player, who has been made French Sport Commissary by Marshal Petain, told the United Press in an exclusive interview that until peace is restored in Europe there could be no question of international matches in France.

The "Bouncing Basque," who in 1927, won the Davis Cup for France, at Germantown, with his team composed of Rene Lacoste, Henri Cochet, and Jacques Brugnon, said:

"Since France's star players, Yvon Petra and Henri Pelizza are in German prison camps it would be impossible for France to participate in tennis matches abroad."

"With the 1,800,000 French prisoners scattered throughout Germany and the occupied zone of France," he continued, "and every French family with at least one member in captivity, we do not feel up to playing in public. Thus, France will not be represented at Davis Cup matches next summer. However, there will be French inter-regional championships to be held in Paris on the courts of the Tennis Club de France."

"For the first time in many months," he went on, "I went two weeks ago to the Tennis Club de France to see the French Junior Championships. The youngsters put up a good show and there was some splendid tennis."

Scattered Players

YVON Petra and Pierre Pelizza are prisoners, while Jacques Brugnon, (one of the Four Horsemen of the 1927 French Davis Cup team), is in America as secretary to a tennis Club in Pasadena. Georges Destremau, another young French Davis Cup star is in Paris and is leaving shortly for Tunis where he accepted a position. Marcel Bernard, who was a Davis Cup hope a few years ago is in Paris as well as Christian Bessus.

"Henri Cochet, (another of the 1927 'Cup' days), has bought a farm near Paris and devotes most of his time to agricultural life." Henri Cochet still plays tennis in his spare time.

"As for Rene Lacoste," Borotra pursued, "he has accepted to head the French Lawn Tennis Federation, replacing Pierre Gillou, who resigned. However, Gillou will continue in his functions until July 1st when Rene Lacoste will take over."

JEAN Borotra, asked whether French Jews would be excluded from tennis championships in future, replied:

"I do not see why they should be excluded and for the moment no such question has been discussed."

World Soccer Cup

KNOWING that Borotra is a football fan and an excellent player, he was asked whether the French football team would participate in the 1942 World Cup which is to be played in South America.

"It is rather improbable," he said, "but if we are at peace we shall be delighted to participate for we cherish good memories of the 1938 'Cup' which was played in France."

Thailand Tennis Praised By Japanese

TOKYO, Feb. 3 (Domel).—The Japanese goodwill tennis players to Thailand, Yasuo Tsuruda, of Keio University and Sukeyasu Nakahara, of Waseda University, returned here on Sunday.

Highly praising the standard of play in Thailand, the players said: "Japan should exchange players with Thailand more frequently not only for the promotion of friendlier relations between the two countries but also for the improvement of its own players. There are many good players in Thailand and we only hope that we shall be able to meet them again."

Tsuruda and Nakahara were in Thailand for two weeks during which time they met the champions of Thailand winning the singles but losing the doubles.

COLONY CHESS TITLES

First Round Of Senior Tourney To-day

FIRST ROUND matches of the Colony Senior Chess Championship will be played to-day. Though entries this year are not as large as those of 1940, the standard, nevertheless, has not been impaired.

To-day, two former champions, D. E. de Carvalho and C. M. Sequeira meet, while other matches at the Peninsula Hotel are G. S. Coxhead v. E. Zimmerman (runner-up last year) and L. Karpovich v. K. Weiss.

Open Tennis Championships Next Month

The annual Colony's tennis championships, organised by the Hongkong C.C., will commence on March 10. As in previous years, there will be open singles and doubles events. The Committee of the Club has decided that any surplus money resulting from the tournament will be donated to the Bomber Fund, and in consequence small mementoes, instead of the usual trophies, will be presented to the winners.

Intending competitors are asked to assist the Committee by stating on which days of the week they are unable to play owing to Volunteer or other duties.

Draw For Open Junior Championship

OPENING MATCHES for the Colony Junior Chess Championship will be played on Thursday, February 13. Fifteen entries have been received, and the draw, made last night, resulted as follows:

A. Kurrik v. Un Kwai-yung; A. Morton v. William Lee; R. C. Gardner v. J. Grefalda; V. V. Kolachoff v. J. H. d'Almeida; R. C. Danenberg v. A. Y. Biriukoff; To Yu-lau v. J. Tausz; D. Drake v. A. C. Poupard.

Dye, E. M. retire.

The draw for white and black will be announced with the issue of the round by round programme. The games will be played on Tuesdays and Thursdays on or before the dates set out in the programme. Games adjourned will be completed within a fortnight of the adjournment and all matches will be played at the Peninsula Hotel.

"Lightning" Tourney

A. C. Poupard, with 114 points out of a possible 18, won the double-round "lightning" chess tournament of the Kowloon Chess Club held on Saturday, R. C. Danenberg and J. Grefalda tied for second place with nine points each.

Fanling Golf

Captain's Cup Qualifiers

The following qualified for the Captain's Cup at Fanling on Sunday: Old Course—G. T. Harrington, 64-15=69. (23 entries). New Course—F. A. Redmond, 78-11=67. (eight entries).

Referees' Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Referees' Association will be held at the Hotel Cecil at 8 p.m. to-day, when a talk on Soccer will be given by one of the members.



GOOD-WILL TOUR—Dorothy Bundy, tennis champion, receives huge trophy in Buenos Aires after winning women's singles in Argentine tourney, during good-will tour. Mrs. Norman Armour, wife of U.S. Ambassador, presents trophy.

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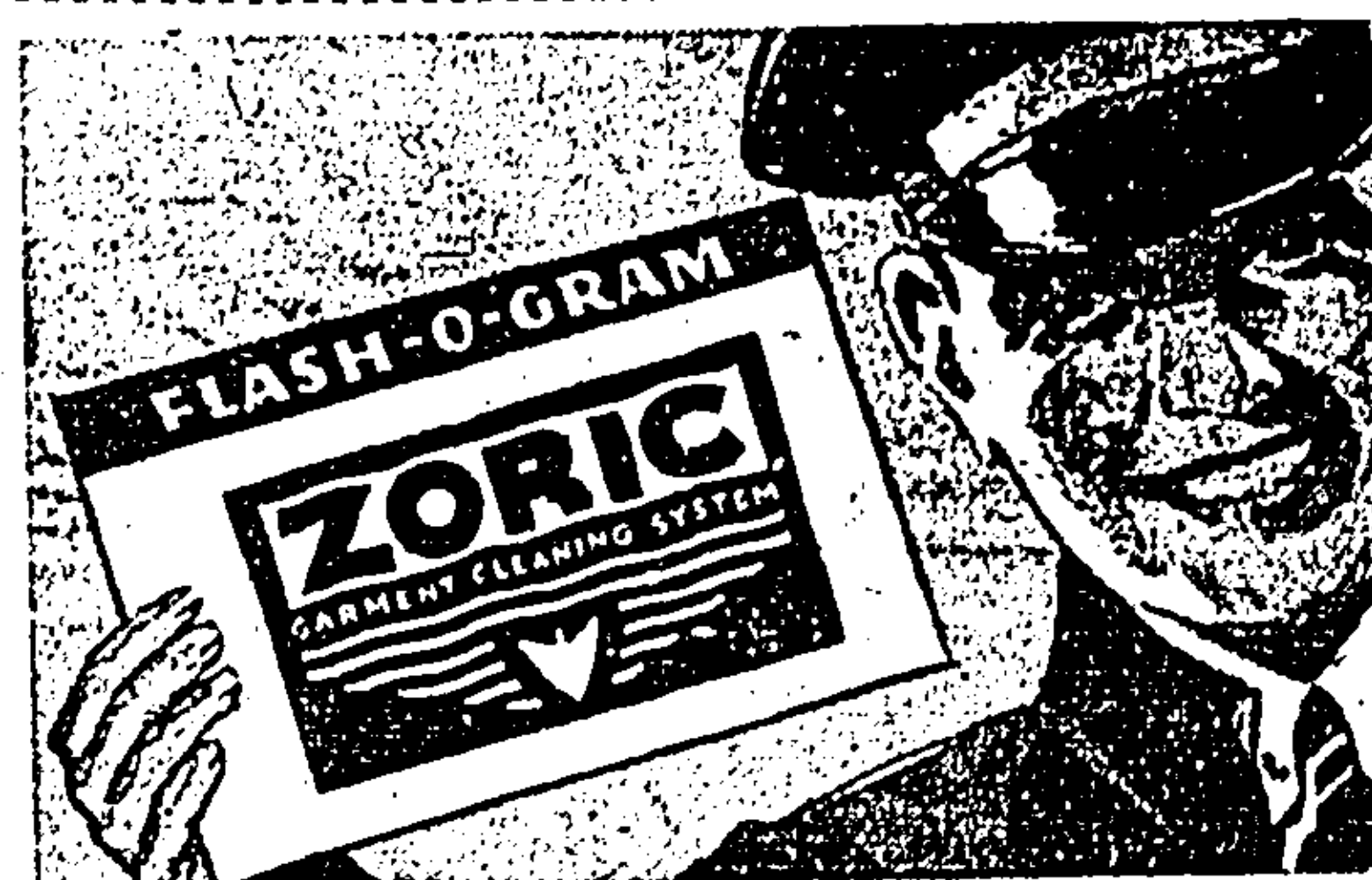
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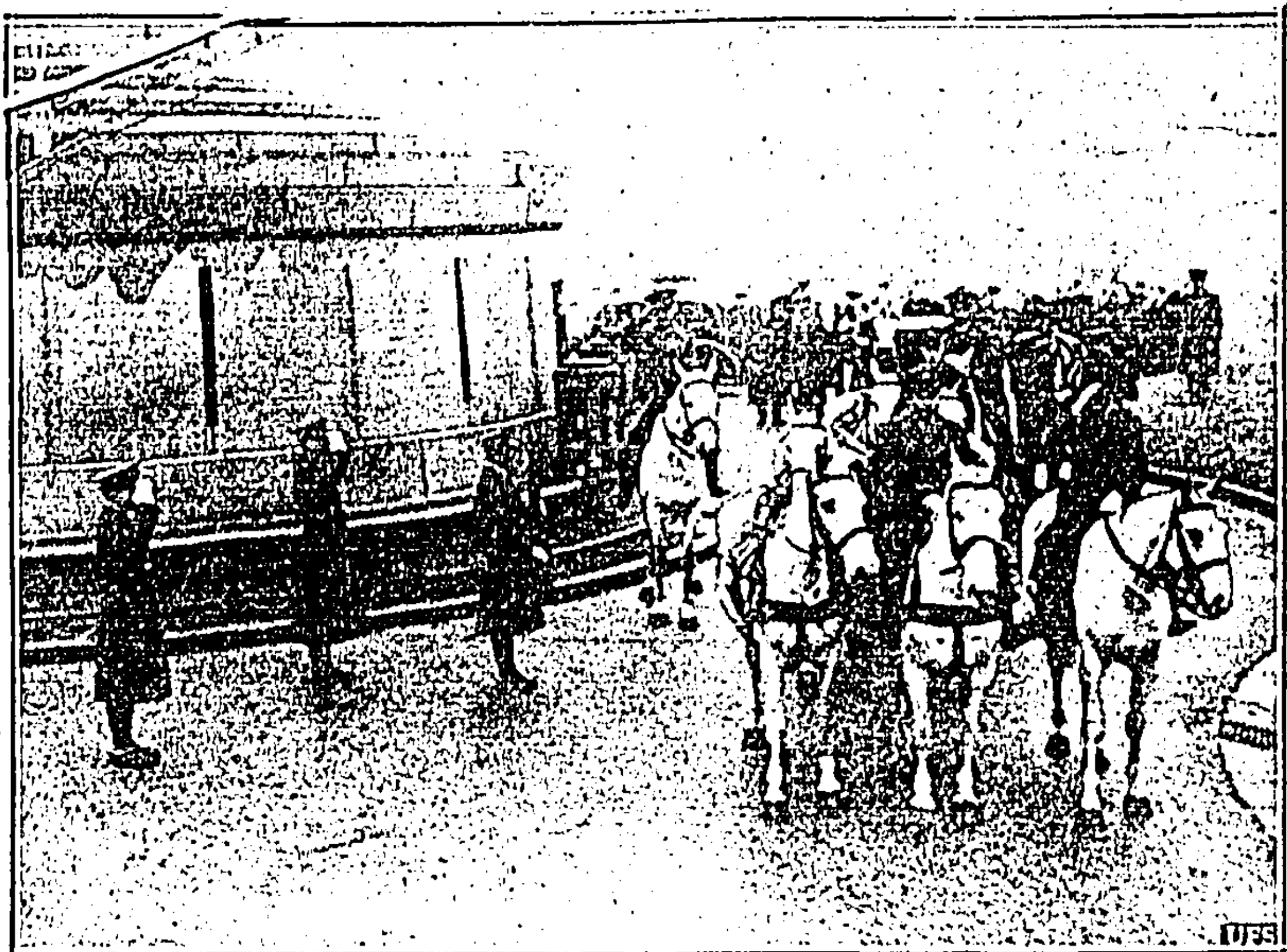
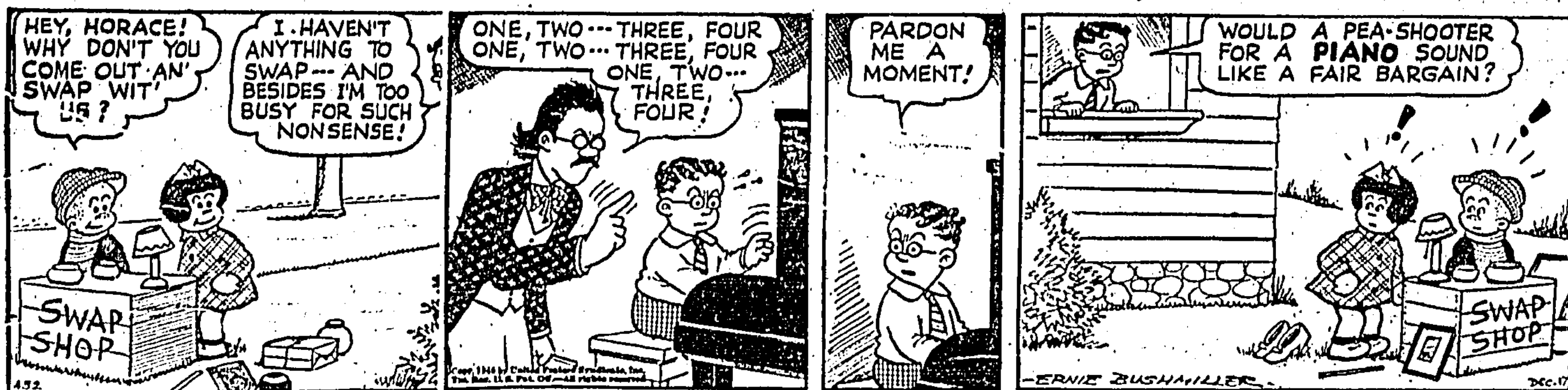
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By Ernie Bushmiller



AT REST—A cold rain fell as the ashes of the late Marquess of Lothian, British Ambassador who died in Washington, were placed in a receiving vault at the base of the monument to the battleship Maine in Arlington Cemetery. The urn containing the ashes was drawn on a caisson by six gray horses, as above.

Shot Wife In Error; Turned Gun On Self

A coroner's jury decided at Southampton recently that a Royal Naval Reserve commander aimed a revolver at his wife as a threat, and then, finding he had shot her by mistake, shot himself through remorse.

They returned a verdict of manslaughter and suicide at the inquest on Commander Wilfred Stanfield, aged 47, and Mrs Louise Stanfield, aged 43, who were shot at their home in Wilton-crescent, Southampton.

Mrs Cissie Julia Blake, a friend of Commander and Mrs Stanfield, told the Coroner how she saw Mrs Stanfield holding a handkerchief to her mouth, which was bleeding. One of Commander Stanfield's hands was cut near the knuckle. Mrs Stanfield said, "Look what Wilf has done. He says he will shoot me." Commander Stanfield said, "I will."

Mrs Blake then told how she heard Commander Stanfield opening and shutting drawers and muttering to himself. Mrs Stanfield said something about a revolver.

Mrs Blake continued: "I opened the front door to run out. Then I heard a shot followed by a fall. By the time I got to the front doorstep I heard another shot followed by a thud."

Police Sergeant Henry Leavey said he found four live revolver cartridges on the floor. The revolver, which had six chambers, contained two discharged cartridges with a vacant chamber between them.

Thought Gun Empty
The sergeant suggested that Commander Stanfield thought he had ejected all the cartridges, but that two live cartridges remained in the chambers.

A member of the jury suggested that possibly only one live cartridge had been left in the chamber, and that Commander Stanfield, after he had shot his wife and discovered his mistake, had reloaded with another and had then shot himself.

Commander Stanfield, a former chief officer of the liner Empress of Australia, had since the war been carrying on naval duties, including mine-sweeping.

Donations To Bomber Fund

A total of \$1,543,255.23 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd. with the following donations:

Police Recreation Club (Cricket Bat)	\$203
Farwell Party of a Dutchman	60
Miss A. Lynn	13
"Helen" Tennis	10
Exbet, Mr. E. W. Hamilton	50
Texas Shrapnel Box (second donation)	37.80
Result of Bet—D.H.H. & S.J.	2
Treasury "Shrapnel Box" (week ended 12.4.41)	3
Extyland (fifth donation)	200
R.A.O.B. Bomber Box (January)	30
Lanning Party per Miss Mary Edmondson	23.20
Dr. W. Winterstein	10
Miss A. Lee (fourth donation)	10
Tyeb & Co. Shrapnel Box (second donation)	4.56
Hongkong War Effort Committee—Proceeds of Flag Day held on 18th January, 1941	\$3,239.52
Hongkong Collections	2,338.75
Kowloon Health Inspectorate:	
H. F. O. (fifth donation)	15
T. B. (fifth donation)	15
A. C. S. (sixth donation)	10
C. S. S. (fifth donation)	5
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The following monthly donations to the War Fund were also received yesterday:

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Major H. G. Robertson	20
Mr. M. F. L. Haynes	20
Mr. David Wilson	20

Dr. Winterstein, whose donation is acknowledged above, is an Austrian who was interned in Hongkong on the outbreak of war and who is now working up country in a Refugee Hospital. Although he is not allowed to enter Hongkong, he has sent his donation to Britain's War Effort and has promised \$5 per month.

D. W. O. F.

The British War Organisation Fund, Hongkong Branch, acknowledges the following donations:

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DESCRIPTION OF BENGHAZI "Garden Of Hesperides"

In the present Libyan struggle only half a dozen eastern coastal towns are of much importance. The first among them, from the west, the most prosperous appearing, and in many ways the most beautiful is Benghazi, a district capital. It is a ship and air port, a centre of business, traffic, administration, and colonization. Its population, which has increased 300 per cent. in 30 years, has reached 65,000.

A majority of the inhabitants are Europeans, who live in a pleasant quarter of white houses, lining wide streets or attractive tree-filled parks. Fresh water abounds, rainfall is usually sufficient, new little villages dot the countryside and frugal Italian peasants raise delicious fruit from orchards, covering the site of the legendary "Garden of Hesperides."

A few scores of miles eastward along the coast, one comes to the bare, dreary, silent ruins of the great Greek city in ancient times, outside of the Greek Peninsula. It is Cyrene, known as the Athens of Africa. Not fewer than 100,000 people lived in it and among them were world famous merchants, artists, writers, philosophers. The country round about produced much grain, Greece, itself. Now a few pieces of pillars mount above the desolation to show how men destroy the beautiful things men make.

Fifty miles further east, around the curve of the coast, one comes to the buoyant city of Derna (now in British hands), ever refreshed with flowing water, gay with flowers, verdant with gardens, and rich with fields. This and Benghazi are the only places along hundreds of miles of coast that have always been supplied with water and have been settled through the millenniums. Never have desert sands conquered Derna.

A.N.S. SUPPER-DANCE

Members of the Auxiliary Nursing Service are busy planning a Supper-Dance and Cabaret to be held at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday, March 7, in aid of the Bomber Fund. A specially attractive programme is being arranged. Further particulars will be given in due course. In the meantime, it is expected that, by announcing the date well ahead, a very large attendance will be ensured.

An Irishman's £39 Argument

For careless talk, Dr James Livingstone Morton, a retired Irish doctor, of Ilfracombe, was fined £39 at the local court recently.

Morton, it was stated, went round hotels frightening guests by saying there would be nothing left of England after German bombing.

He had also, it was alleged, signed the name of Hitler and drawn a swastika in Combe Martin Parish

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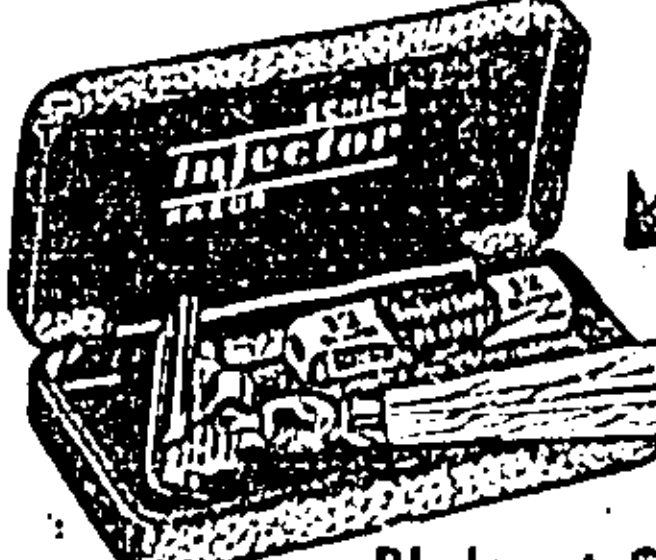


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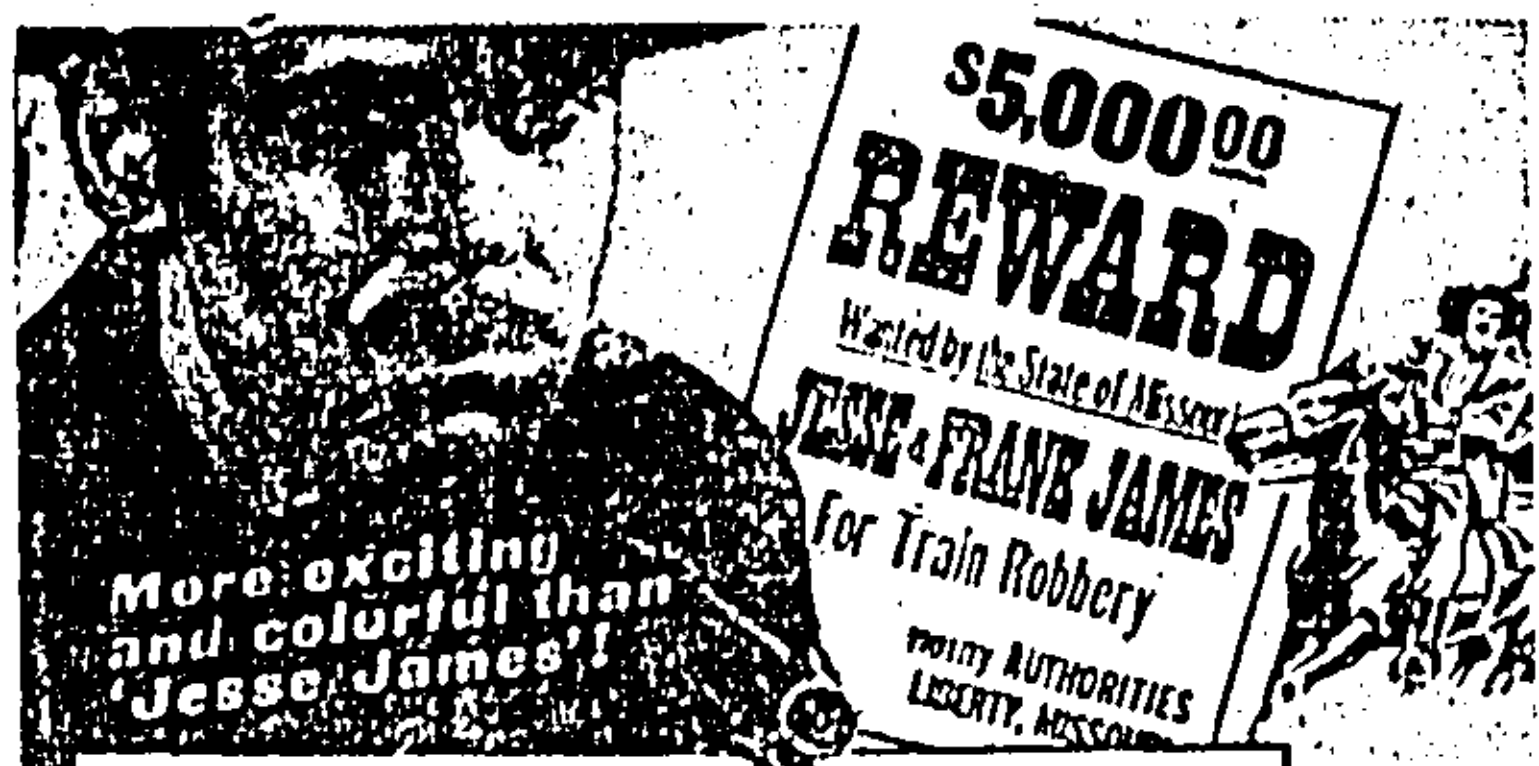
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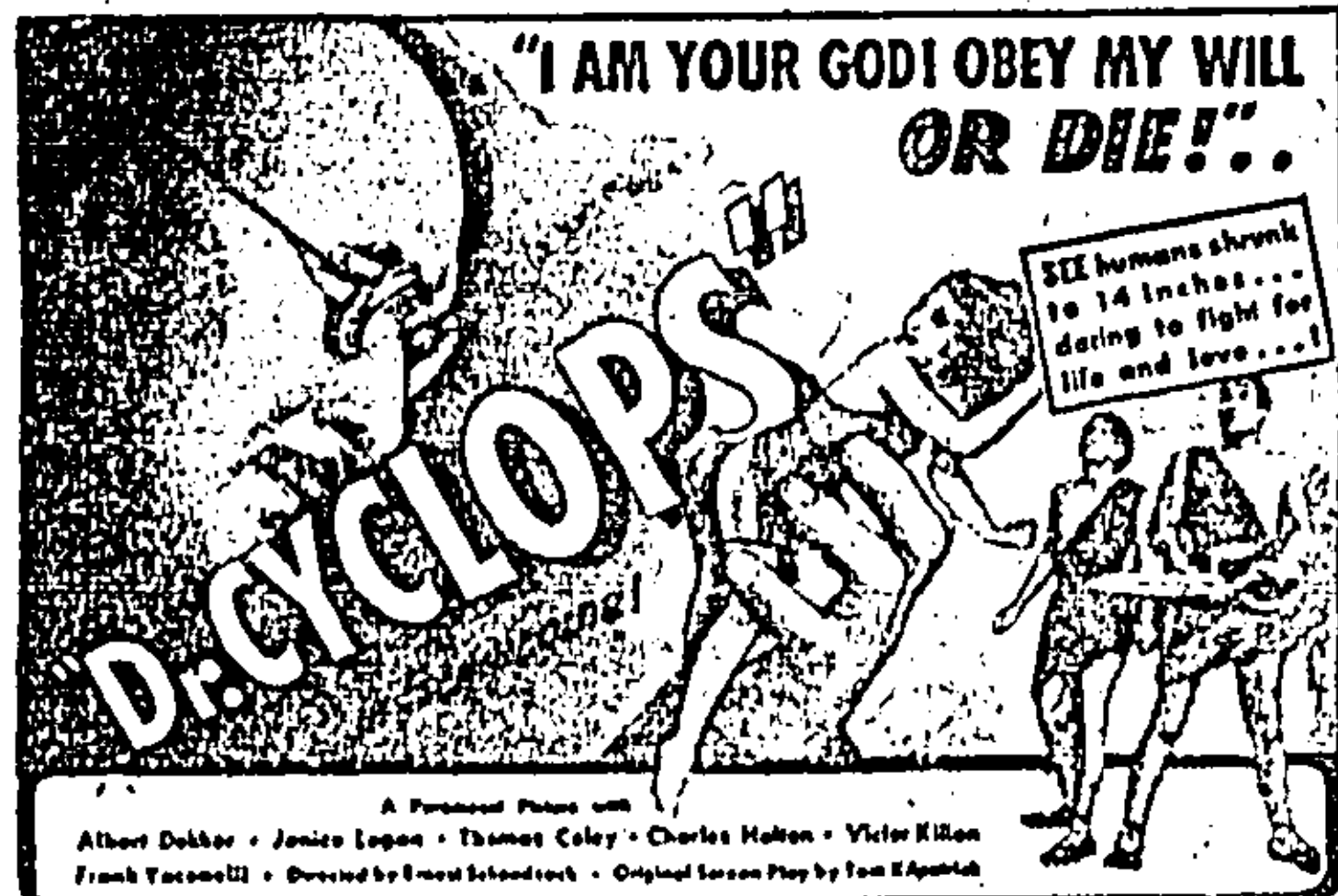
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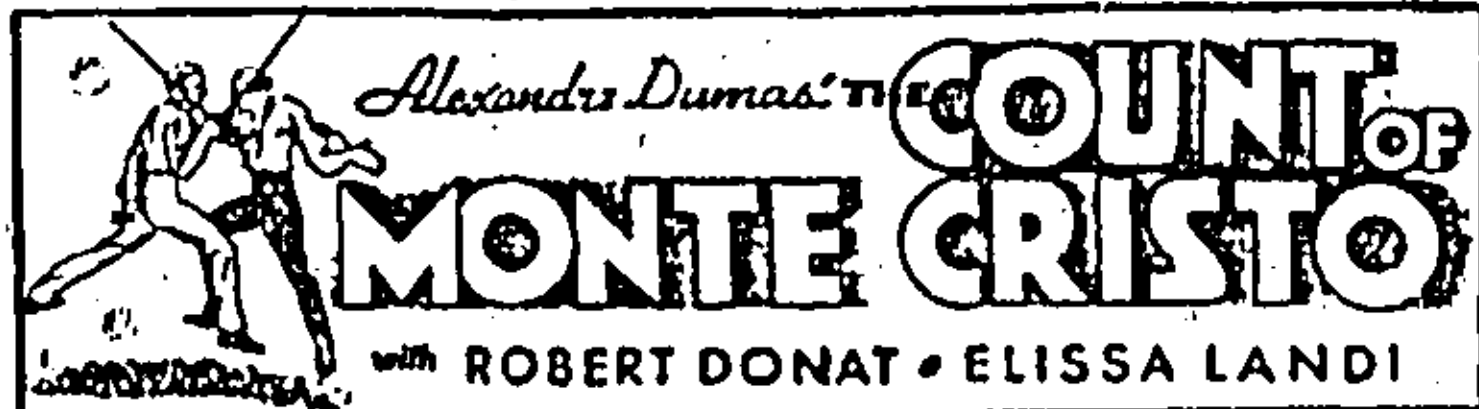


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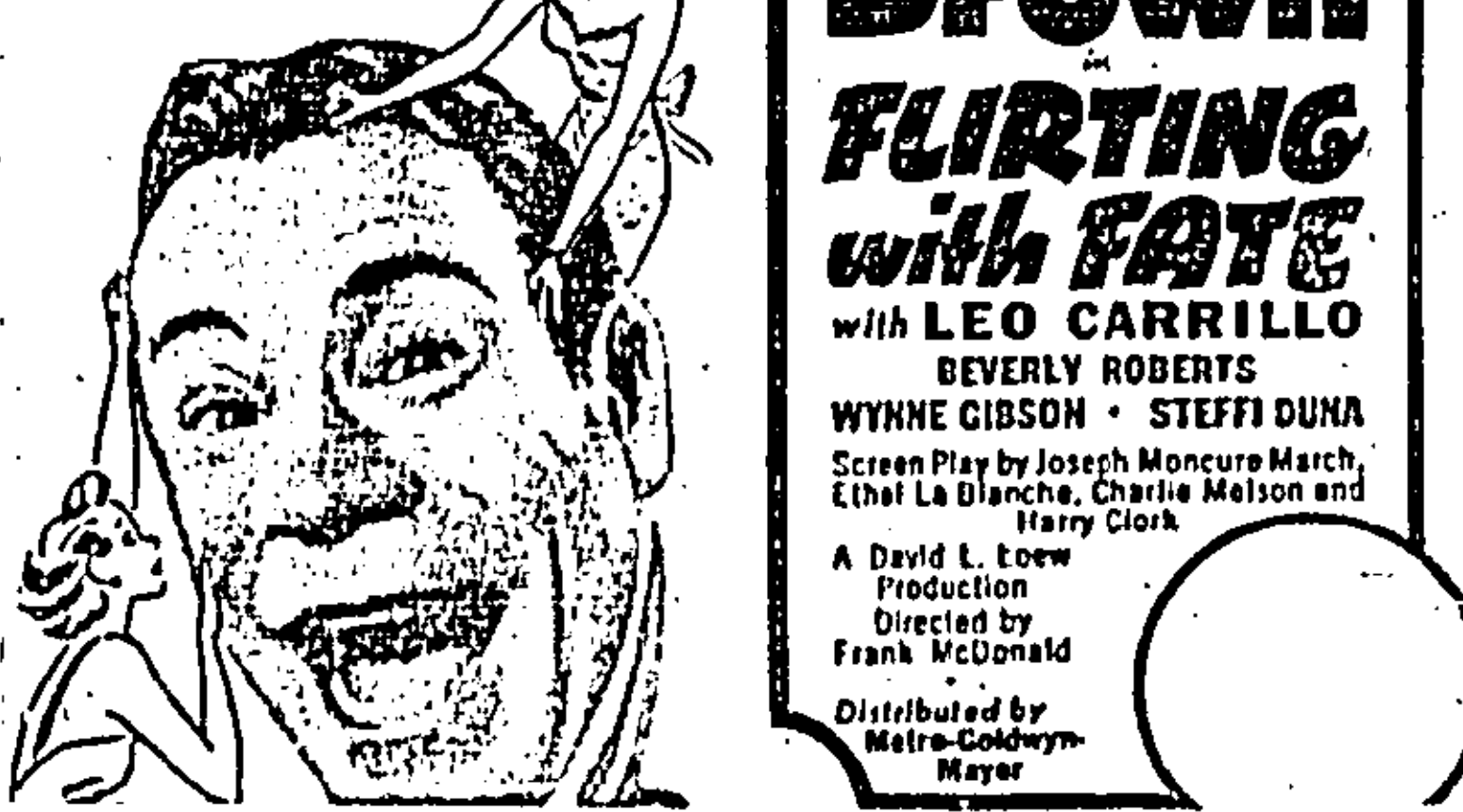
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Johannesburg Is Quiet Again

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
JOHANNESBURG, Feb. 3 (UP).—The week-end riots have ended and the city is now quiet. Tension decreased when soldiers had their leave cancelled.
Thirty-two civilians were treated at hospitals and eight were detained. One hundred and ninety-eight soldiers were treated and 75 detained. Several police were also hurt.

STOCK EXCHANGE
LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was quietly firm apart from gilt-edged securities and Indian stocks, which eased in the late dealings.
A good demand for home rails was the chief feature while Kafirs were firmly held despite the Johannesburg incidents.
Diamonds and oils improved as also did Japanese bonds.
Wall Street was irregular.

Soviet-Japanese Fisheries Dispute

MOSCOW, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—Steps towards the settlement of the long-standing Russo-Japanese dispute have been taken by the appointment of a joint Soviet-Japanese Commission, consisting of ten members, to negotiate a long-term Fisheries Convention.
Conversations are expected to begin shortly.

U. S. Merchant Ships

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—The Senate to-day passed a Bill providing for the construction of 200 merchant ships for which President Roosevelt recently asked Congress.
The Bill has already been passed by the House of Representatives.
In a recent message to Congress, President Roosevelt asked for \$413,000,000 to cover the cost of construction of these ships.

FITNESS CORPS FOR YOUTH

Britain intends to form a nation-wide Youth Service Corps so that young people of from 14 to 20 may play their part in the national effort by taking up fitness training.

The scheme is sponsored by the Board of Education and outlined in a circular to local authorities.

Mr H. Ramsbotham, President of the Board of Education, declares: "There is no Hitler Youth idea contemplated, and no question of regimentation or militarisation."

He aims at a corps of co-ordinating local units organised and run by the young people themselves.

War Office Helps

The War Office is co-operating by the release of key men who before the war were employed as physical training organizers and leaders, and in the provision of instructors for local centres.

Already about 100 are being released. The Inspector of Physical Training at the War Office is a member of the directorate.

Every available gymnasium, hall, playing field and sports ground will be used, and the War Office has asked commands to avoid requisitioning premises suitable for recreational work.

Premises already requisitioned will be released if possible.

The scheme is at present limited to boys and young men, but may be extended to girls and women.

GEN. SMUTS REPROVES OVER-ENTHUSIASTIC SOLDIERS

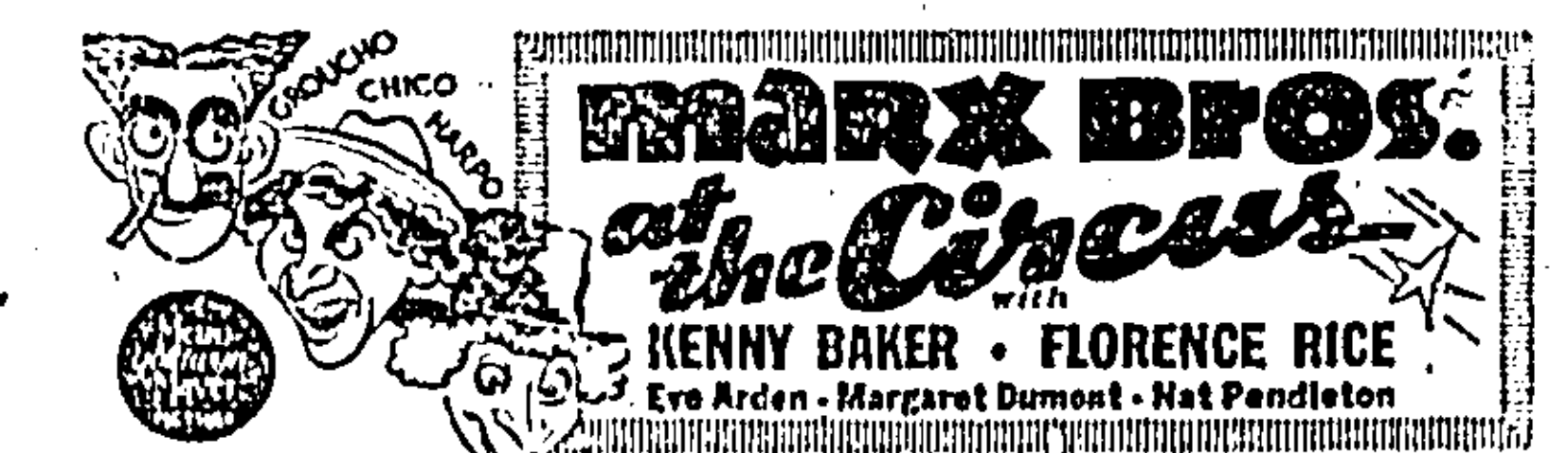
CAPE TOWN, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—A special order has been issued by General Jan Smuts, Prime Minister and General Officer Commanding the Union Defence Forces, drawing the attention of all ranks to the necessity of observing orderly conduct "even in the face of frequent provocation."

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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Feb. 3 (Domei).—Dissatisfaction at the recently concluded Japan Youth Corps under the leadership of the Minister of Education, was expressed by a spokesman of the War Office at this afternoon's meeting of the Lower House committee dealing with the Military Service Law amendment bill.

The spokesman said that the Army desires a unique organization representative of Japan's national policy with students of the Youth School as the nucleus. He further hoped that in future a new organization may be formed by the Youth, National, and Middle Schools and Colleges and Universities perfectly united in intellectual, moral and physical cultures.

Schoolboy Politics Not Wanted
Referring to the connections between the Youth Corps and the National Service Association, the Army authorities do not desire and are strongly opposed to participation in politics by youths who are attending schools. He favoured, however, their participation in the National Service Movement after entering into the social career.

The War Office spokesman pointed out that the War, Navy and Education Ministry authorities are jointly studying plans for making a truly useful organization of youths embodying harmonisation of intellectual, moral and physical cultures.

Idle Danish Shipping

NEW YORK, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—Thirty-eight Danish ships, totalling over 250,000 tons, now idle in American ports, may, if the United States Government approves, carry cargoes to Britain, says the newspaper, "World Telegram."

Twenty other ships in South American ports may be released, the paper adds.

Bomber Planes Hitting Back

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conserved for a "knock-out" blow are discounted.

Weather conditions have grounded the Luftwaffe squadrons attacking Britain, which are based entirely at advanced aerodromes outside Germany.

I gather that the estimates that Germany has a fleet of 18,000 aircraft ready to launch an invasion, with another 10,000 in reserve, have not dismayed the authorities. The total of front-line Nazi planes available for any major onslaught is believed in well-informed quarters to be but a proportion of 18,000.

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Canadian Overseas Forces Strengthened

OTTAWA, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—The Canadian Government will spend over \$100,000,000 during the 1941-42 fiscal year to form and equip an armoured division and tank brigade to reinforce the Canadian Corps overseas.

This was announced by Colonel J. L. Johnston, Minister of National Defence, at a press conference to-day.

The wedding took place on January 21 at Navy House, Singapore, between Capt. F. J. Wylie, R.N., and Mrs. Janet Wylie, formerly of Hongkong. Rear-Admiral and Mrs. T. B. Drew kindly lent them the house for the occasion and acted as best and hostesses. The Navy were well represented among the guests, who included the Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, Admiral Sir Geoffrey Layton, and Lady Layton.

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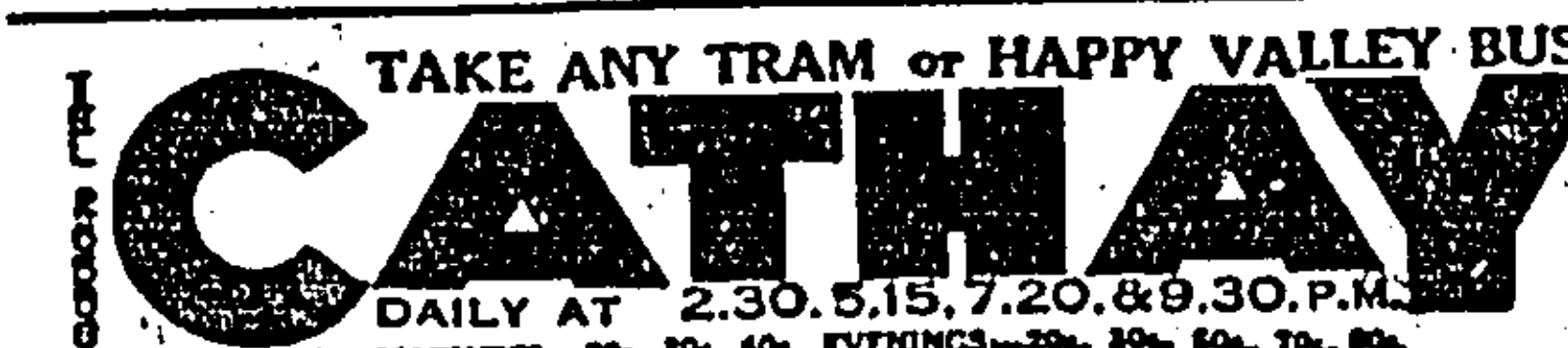
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GREEKS TAKE VALONA BAY: FORCES ONLY 12 MILES FROM CITY

Special to the "Telegraph"

STRUGA, FEB. 3 (UP).—GREEK FORCES ARE REPORTED TO HAVE REACHED THE SHORES OF VALONA BAY THIS MORNING. IT IS KNOWN THAT THEY GAINED THE DUKATI BAY ON THE SOUTHERN ARM OF VALONA BAY AND THAT THEY ARE NOW ONLY 12 MILES FROM VALONA.

Other units of the same Greek column are advancing in the Korauniai Mountains and are reported to have captured the last Italian fortified position barring the way to Valona Bay.

It was at this point that other units this morning successfully took up the pursuit of the retreating Italians.

SARDINIA POWER SUPPLY BOMBED

R.A.F. Carries on Good Work

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Feb. 3 (UP).—According to an official Admiralty announcement Swordfish aircraft from the Naval Command on Sunday carried out a successful attack on one of the main sources of power supply in Sardinia.

E. Africa Campaign

Enemy Positions Strafed

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—On Feb. 1, the South African Air Force bombed enemy emplacements in East Africa.

Supporting the army offensive, the R.A.F. made dive attacks on fort buildings at Barentu, which were hit by several bombs. Others fell among concentrations of motor transport where at least 50 vehicles were rendered unserviceable.

West of Asmara another concentration of motor vehicles was attacked while direct hits were scored on the road.

A Savoia bomber was shot down at Agordat, and during the whole of these operations only one British aircraft failed to return safely.

Roads Strafed
CAIRO, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—Roads between Derna and Benghazi in Libya were strafed yesterday by R.A.F. bombers and fighters.

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Compulsory Service Appeals Decisions

Two appeals were heard this morning by the Compulsory Service Appeal Tribunal, comprising the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor (Chairman), Brigadier A. Peppers and the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell.

Mr. H. Nish, Sworn Measurer and Weigher, appealed against being re-assigned to the Essential Services Group from the Key-Posts Group. He said that he was virtually single-handed; of his three assistants one was in the Naval Reserve, one in the Naval Volunteer Force and the other on leave. The nature of his work entailed his being present every time a ship arrived.

In answer to the Chairman, Mr. Nish said that he was not doing any form of service at the moment.

In allowing the appeal, the Chairman remarked that knowing Mr. Nish as he did he knew he would do whatever he could for the defence of the Colony if he had the time.

Mr. C. W. Whiting
The other appellant was Mr. C. W. Whiting, who appealed against being posted to the Combatant Group on the ground that he was unemployed and wanted time to look for employment. Mr. Whiting added that he was formerly in the Naval Volunteer

One British aircraft is missing as a result of the action.

It is learned that R.A.F. bombers attacked targets in the northwest of occupied France shortly before dawn in the course of an offensive patrol.

Tripoli Base Raided

CAIRO, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—Castle Benito—an important Italian base in Tripoli—and its environs were heavily and successfully bombed today by the R.A.F.

The raid took place in the early hours and several tons of high explosive and incendiary bombs were dropped. At least seven enemy aircraft on the ground on the aerodrome were destroyed by fire.

Direct hits were scored on a large hangar and buildings which were set on fire and damaged.

In addition, other R.A.F. planes machine-gunned a motor transport on the west side of the aerodrome and on the main road near Zanzur, causing considerable damage.

All R.A.F. planes returned safely.

Declares Martial Law

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—Mussolini has declared the whole of southern Italy a war zone and has placed it under martial law, according to Greek press reports quoted by the Athens radio to-night.

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Consolidate Positions

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—Greek troops, defying heavy rain on the whole front, scored new successes to-day, according to a Press Ministry statement broadcast by the Athens radio to-night.

Greek forces increased their relentless pressure on Italian positions on the central front. Their heavy guns are maintaining a ceaseless fire on the dominant points of the line recently captured from the enemy.

Local surprise attacks upon Italian posts on various sectors of the front resulted in the capture of sentries without a shot being fired.

Mopping up operations in the mountain north of Kilsura have been completed. The last vestiges of

Greeks Want More Aid

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SOFIA, Feb. 3 (UP).—It is reliably stated that the Greeks requested more British aid while General Wavell was in Athens, but they were told it would be increased only after the fall of Benghazi, as it was impossible to increase it at present.

Reliable circles are of the opinion that the Greeks will make an attempt to bring about an Italian-Greek peace before the British position permits more tangible aid to the Greeks, which would open a new front on the southeast.

Italian resistance were eliminated without any serious effort.

The obstacles overcome by the Greek troops now open the way for action on a wider scale.

After the disasters they suffered on the previous days, the Italians refrained from any offensive action, yesterday except against one height beyond Kilsura, where they launched 12 consecutive attacks, all of which were repulsed with bloody losses to the enemy.

Death Of Mrs Spradbery

Hongkong Evacuee Dies In Australia

Mrs Mary Ann Spradbery, owner of the Britannia Water Factory, a Hongkong evacuee in Sydney, passed away yesterday afternoon, according to a cable received by her son in Hongkong.

Mrs Spradbery was 66 years of age and had lived in the Far East for close on 40 years. She had resided for many years in Hongkong and started the Britannia Water-Factory in Kowloon 18 years ago.

The remains of Mrs Spradbery will be cremated in Australia and brought to Hongkong for burial.

Mrs Spradbery leaves a widower, Mr. J. Spradbery, who is in England, two sons, Ernest Joseph and Charles, and a daughter, Mrs Stanhouse Stewart who is also in England, to mourn their loss.

General Killed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Feb. 3 (Domei).—Major-General Takashi Fuda, retired, died last night of injuries sustained when he was run over by a subway train at Akasaka Mitake Station.

The deceased was 60 years old.

HAYASHI AMENDMENT VOTING

S.M.C. Arrange Meeting

SHANGHAI, Feb. 4 (Reuter).

A poll on Hayashi's amendment to the Council resolution for a 40 per cent. surcharge on Municipal taxes will be taken when ratepayers re-assemble tomorrow afternoon, according to an announcement.

The Japanese amendment, which at the last meeting was underlined by shots from Hayashi, calls for the abandonment of the proposed surcharge.

Although the Japanese Ratepayers' Association has decided to boycott the meeting, it is still uncertain whether the decision will be followed.

Tellers appointed by the Council to conduct the poll include many Japanese.

PEACE MISSION LEAVES TO-DAY

Indo-China-Thai Dispute

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BANGKOK, Feb. 4 (UP).—It is officially announced that the Peace Mission will leave for Tokyo in Japanese planes tomorrow, a day earlier than was previously announced. One group of delegates is leaving at 6 a.m. to-day and the second group will be following at 1.30 p.m.

The announcement was issued shortly after a special session of the Council Ministers this morning, in which the Mission was given instructions.

The police issued an order banning any demonstrations or acts against foreigners, thus curbing further Thai blood activities. The police also prohibited the issuance of pamphlets "assailing persons or groups of persons."

Germans Reported On Hainan Island

CHUNGKING, Feb. 3 (Central News).—A large shipment of Japanese tanks, arms and ammunition has arrived in Hainan Island, according to information from military sources. Accompanied by several German military experts, a group of Japanese officers inspected coastal defences in the western part of Hainan Island a few days ago. They ordered the establishment of many observation posts.

BRITISH TROOPS IN GREECE

First pictures of British troops in Greece. Tommies and their Greek confreres share a welcome meal. Below the Bishop of Canea blesses British Bren carriers and tanks which, operated by British soldiers, have played an important part in the Greek successes.



Laval Wins: Vichy Cabinet Is Doomed

Special to the "Telegraph"

VICHY, Feb. 3 (UP).—It is now a virtual certainty that the present Vichy Cabinet will be swept out of office within a week, and that M. Laval and a new Cabinet will take power, fully pledged to active collaboration with Germany.

As a consequence of the talks in Paris to-day between Admiral Darlan, M. Laval and Herr Abetz, the 60-day impasse in Franco-German relations has practically ended.

Admiral Darlan's departure by special train early this morning was not even announced in the French press, but "United Press" learns that considerable progress has been made towards a solution of the crisis.

France appears to be heading towards a Government by the powerful Laval - Baudouin - Huntzinger group, who are acting in the name of Marshal Petain. Petain will retain full authority as chief of the Government.

Admiral Darlan will supervise Home Affairs; M. Laval will look after Foreign Affairs and Propaganda; Huntzinger will be in charge of National Defence and Baudouin will look after all the technical services grouped under Finance, Labour, Production, Agriculture and Communications.

Aid To British New Proposal: Credits For Our Possessions

By JULIUS EDELSTEIN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (UP).

Some Republican leaders are supporting a new substitute proposal for the Lend and Lease Bill. It is understood that the United States should provide \$10,000,000 worth of import and export credit to Britain in exchange for Britain's possessions in the Western Hemisphere, except Canada.

It is understood that Representative Melvin Mans will sponsor an amendment which is expected to attract widespread Republican, and possibly some Democrat support.

Mr. Mans told me that the proposal will provide Britain with all the aid she needs and at the same time give the United States solid assurances in the event of Britain's defeat that the national defence of the United States will not be complicated by any hostile threat from nearby islands.

Desirable Purchases

It is reliably stated that Mr. Samuel King, the Hawaiian delegate, conferred with Mr. Mans regarding the Pacific aspects of the proposal, which is the first time Britain's Pacific islands and her Atlantic possessions have been coupled as a desirable purchase for United States defence.

Mr. King recently urged the United States to acquire the Pacific Islands instead of those in the Atlantic in order to assure the invulnerability of Pearl Harbour.

Mr. Mans said he considered that if Britain was defeated, Japan would secure possession of the Gilbert, Ellice and Union Islands, which would be stepping stones between the Japanese mandated Caroline and Marshall Islands and Hawaii, thus providing bases for operation against the United States.

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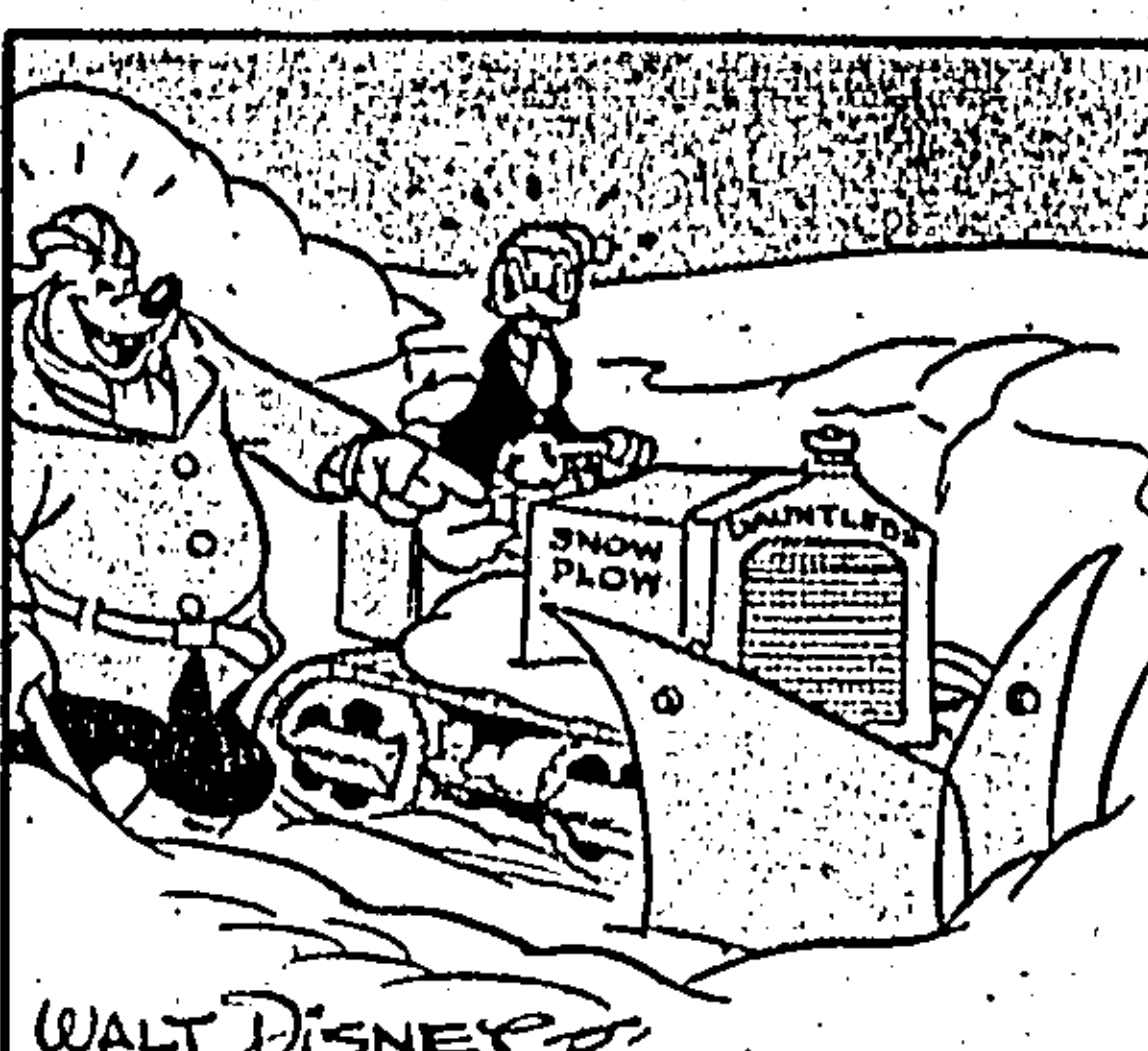
WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (UP).—A governmental source to-day revealed that the United States, Britain and France have reached a conditional agreement by which 14 French ships, totalling 119,000 tons which have been idle in United States ports since the fall of France, will be released for active service.

This is the first large block of ships to be released among nearly 800 idle European ships in Western Hemisphere ports.

Some international circles hope that the agreement forebodes arrangements by which French ships in other American ports, particularly tankers at Maracaibo and Martinique

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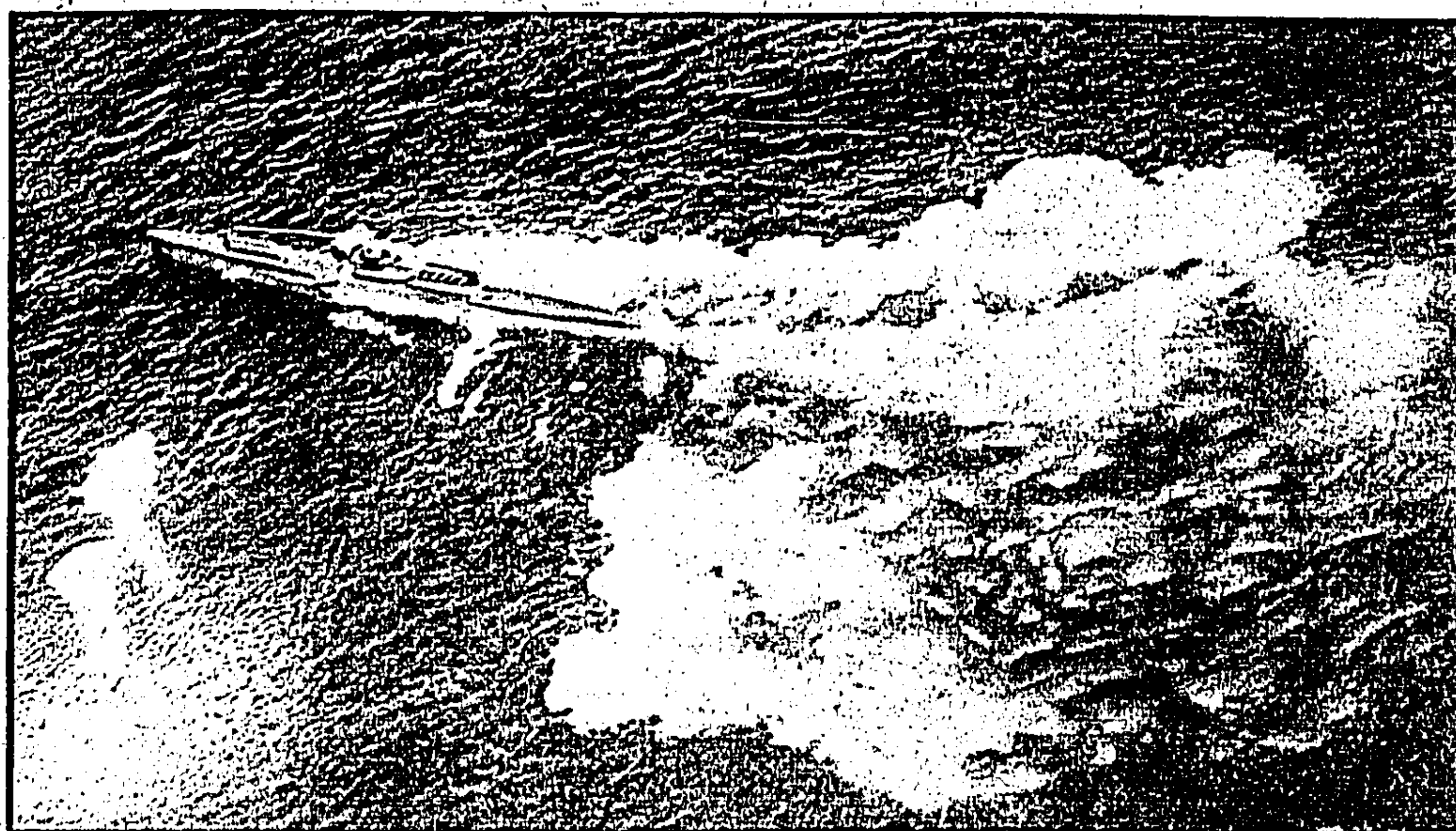
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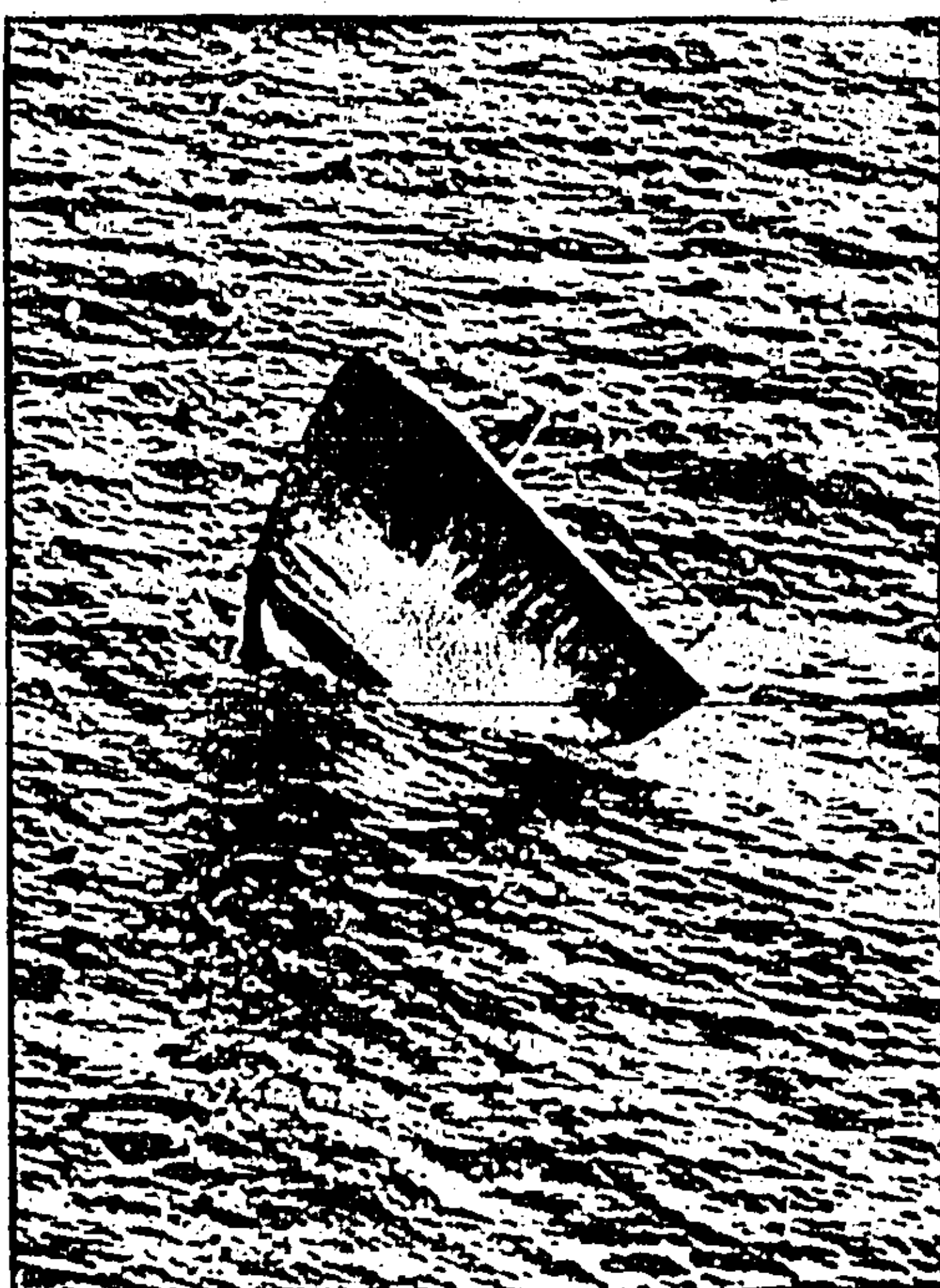


GIRLS busy knitting sea boot stockings are from the Deal Modern School, Ilford, and are billeted in the Government Camp School at Finnermore Wood Camp, Bucks.

THE HUNT WAS OVER—SHE WAS DOOMED



THE END of yet another Italian submarine is shown here. For hours she was shadowed by a British destroyer in the Mediterranean until forced by depth charges to come to the surface. In the lower picture she is making the final plunge after the "kill."



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THE LORD MAYOR OF MANCHESTER (Alderman G. Harold White) firing the first shot when he opened a miniature rifle range at Withington, Manchester, for the training of members of the South Manchester battalion of the Home Guard. Firing with him is Captain B. H. Rothband, O.C. of the battalion.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

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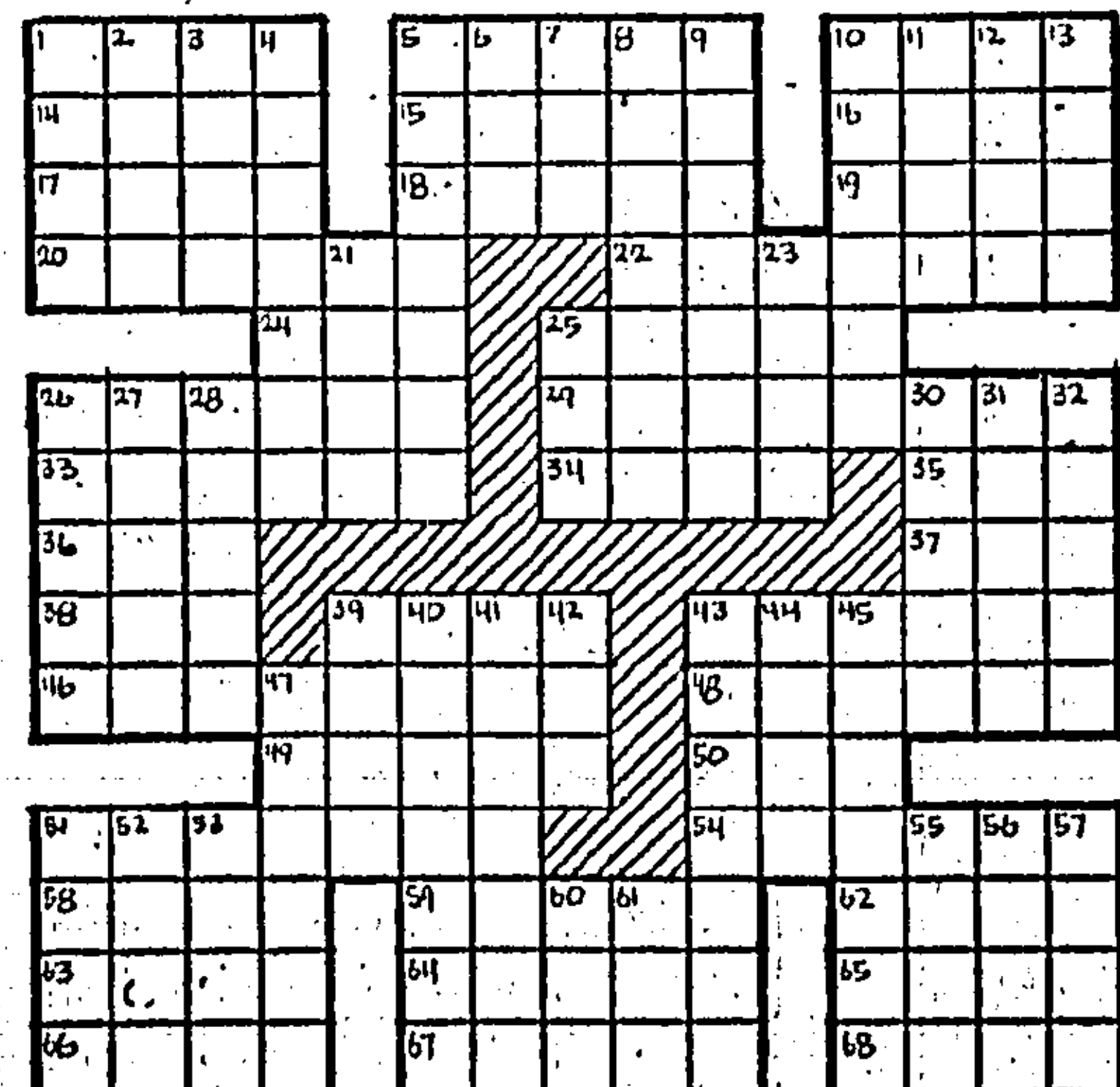
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- Bayonet
- Exclamation of relief
- Medicinal plant
- Italian's decree
- Pathway
- Pump
- Slipway post
- Famous singer
- Woman's name to "The Raven"
- Healer
- Carpenter's tool
- City in Illinois
- Fold together
- Floating snow and ice
- Escaped
- System (abbr.)
- Boat
- Atmosphere
- Crope
- Son of Isaac
- One who receives position
- Writer of essays
- Twelve-sided
- Blind black
- Night before
- Three-decked galley
- Organs of sensation
- Was carried
- Completed
- Wreath
- To shelter side

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- Reddish brown
- Healed
- Leaving muscles
- Latin
- Animal's foot
- Perfectly
- Heavy rain
- Complaint
- Stop
- Combining form: within
- Consumes by use
- Unusual
- Food regimen
- Small worm
- Stop
- Shutures
- Throws
- Snake used to
- At no time
- Clear-wheeled
- British heroine
- Oriental native
- Active
- Note in Guido's scale
- Op.
- Grim
- Pushed (nautical)
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- Assents
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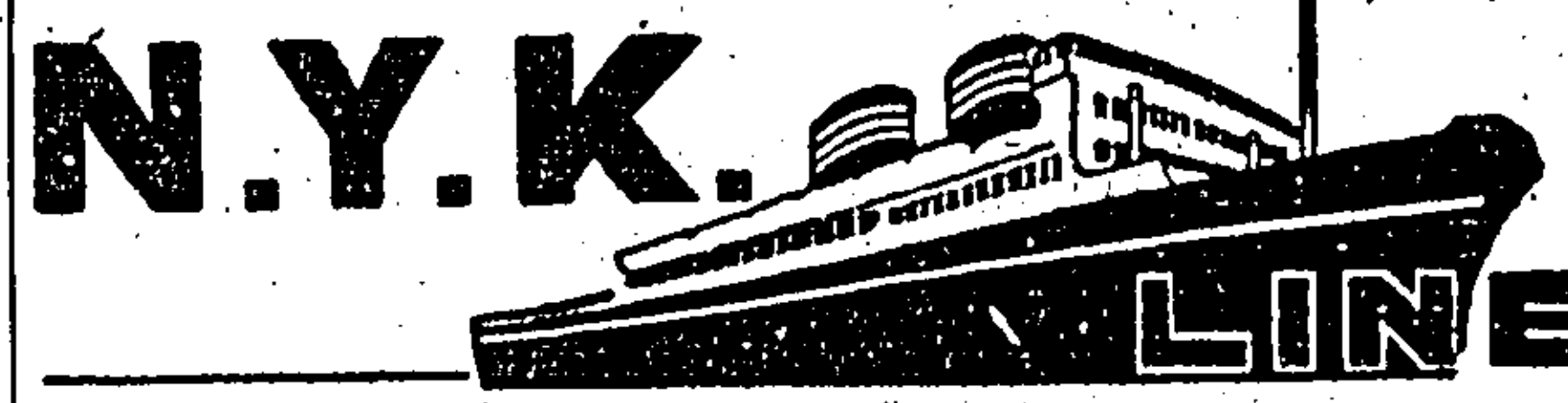
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SCIENCE—FRIEND OR FOE?

Present trials have caused some people to say hard things about science. Others are clamouring for science, and still more science, so that we may win the war as speedily as possible. It is a paradoxical situation, with which Professor Julian Huxley dealt in a broadcast recently.

It is useless, as well as unfair, to blame science for the troubles that have been inflicted upon the world by a small group of unscrupulous men in high places. Hitler and his kind believe that with new methods of scientific destruction they have the means to make themselves supreme throughout Europe, if not throughout the globe. That is the disease. Science, as applied by Britain and her allies and friends, will have to supply and apply the remedy.

We saw how the magnetic mine was speedily disposed of. The U-boat, by means of Asdic apparatus and other devices, seemed for a time to have been conquered. Now it has presented us with a new crop of problems, which doubtless will also be solved in time, as will be that other group of problems presented by the night bomber which unloads its cargo promiscuously upon our large towns.

In each of these cases Germany has an advantage by reason of her defiance of the laws of warfare and of humanity. It is for science to break her, and Britain has a body of scientists second to none. The main essential is that they should be given the fullest opportunity to develop their ideas, on which the future of our civilisation and our way of life depends.

In peace as in war it would probably be a great gain if science could be brought into more intimate practical relation with all ranks of the State. As Sir William Bragg has emphasised, much may be lost if science be treated by our rulers mostly as something apart, to be called upon only in times of dire emergency.

German military thinkers, says the author, who is the Military Expert of the "New York Post," know they cannot beat Britain directly in battle. Hand in hand with the bombings in the Midlands, the Axis plan now is to make the British use up men and munitions in the Mediterranean. That, he says, is

The Axis Grand Strategy

By FLETCHER PRATT

England is now in the most perilous position she has occupied since the beginning of the war. So are we.

The Coventry - Birmingham raids, the wave of submarine sinkings and the Axis diplomatic drive toward the Mediterranean are parts of a deadly dangerous offensive.

None of the three carries a threat to bring the British Empire down with a sudden crash as did the invasion nightmare of last summer. But that was always more of a Nazi hope than a practical possibility. Its fulfilment was based on the idea that Goering's fliers would be able to drive the R.A.F. from the skies over the Channel and the Royal Navy from its surface.

Before the war German military thinkers, such as Count Puckler, Fortsch, Haushofer and von Kuremburg were unanimous in warning their countrymen that they could not beat England directly in battle. She was vulnerable, they said, only because of the complicated web of her financial and industrial structure.

Seek To Divert Britain

The current German winter offensive is an attack on that structure. The drive in the Mediterranean is only the first element of that attack. It has direct objectives—the oil of the Near East and seizure of the Mediterranean outlets. But in the field of Axis grand strategy, even these objectives are of minor importance. To the leaders in Berlin it does not greatly matter whether they are attained. Indeed, it is rather to their advantage that the Italians should be beaten. It keeps Mussolini from considering himself the equal of the big boss at Berchtesgaden.

The true objective is merely to force England to make a great effort in the Mediterranean; to expend quantities of men and munitions fighting the Italians. Germany can and undoubtedly will send forces to that area—probably through Bulgaria, possibly through Spain. But it is obvious how great Germany's gain would be if the

British were forced to expend 60 per cent of their munitions production in the East while the Nazis were using only 25 per cent of their own to hold the English even.

Drive On Industry

For the true objective of the attack is the British munitions industry; the second arm of the offensive is the direct drive on that industry in the bombing of the Midlands. Let us suppose for a moment that few factories were seriously hit at Coventry and Birmingham. Thousands of workers have nevertheless been left homeless, the essential services have been destroyed. This cannot but seriously affect factory production.

The worst feature is that the British defences have so far been totally unable to halt the attack. German losses during the raids were insignificant. The bombings can therefore be expected to continue and to increase in intensity. Meanwhile,

Germany draws on the factory production of an entire continent. Three weeks ago the House of Commons was told that Germany was turning out three times as much steel as England.

This means Germany is arming for the spring campaign of 1941 three times as fast as England; more than three times, since much of the British effort is going East. What direction that Nazi spring drive will take there is little present indication, and it may be the Nazi High Command has not even decided as yet. The only certainty is that there will be a big push and Germany is now labouring to cripple England's ability to meet it.

Outside Help Vital

American and Canadian war supplies of all kinds thus become daily important to England. This is where the third blow of the combined German attack falls—the air and submarine offensive against the ships ferrying supplies across the Atlantic. At present this is the most dangerous offensive of all. For it must have been evident to the British authorities for some time since that they could not produce the machines of war on a scale to compare with the Germans.

The island of Britain is more and more becoming only a place of arms, an advanced base from which we, united with the other Anglo-Saxon peoples, are conducting our war against the dictators. We are too deeply in it now to get out short of victory. Unfortunately, our industry has not yet realized the position, and as Dr Fritz Sternberg has pointed out, England has so far received little more from us than Germany gained by capturing the mechanical industries of Belgium.

PRIVATE LIFE OF A PRIVATE

MAN TO MAN

Extracts from the diary of a journalist now in the Army.

"YOU may talk," says the Sergeant, "about Chemical Warfare, and High Explosive, and Aeroplanes, and Tanks, and Gas, and Death Rays, and any other ruddy things you like."

"But let me tell you one thing. In the end, it's the manpower that counts."

The lad from the Elephant and Castle, who is never at a loss for some back-answer, says: "Tanks."

"Oh, Tanks," says the Sergeant, and pauses ominously. You can see it coming a mile away—the Lad from the Elephant says: "Don't mention it."

"You horrible little man," says the Sergeant. "One more crack out of you and you go straight in the hole as fast as

your legs can carry you. Or faster."

"Tanks are like, say, a barber's scissors. You can cut down the big stuff with them; but for the fine, close cutting you need clippers and razors."

"Tanks and so on are marvelous things. But let me tell you this. In a war there always comes a time when you've got to meet the enemy man-to-man."

"Besides, you don't occupy a place with tanks, but with men. So you go over: and that's where blood tells."

"I've seen men who lay under a barrage and laughed at it, breaking and running when the bayonets came."

"So we teach you bayonet fighting. You may never need to use it. Personally, I hope you do—get to grips with the

so-and-so's and settle it all quick."

"You may have heard that Jerry can't stand cold steel. Don't let that give you a wrong impression. Jerry is taught the bayonet the same as you."

"But you've always been better at it because you want to fight him with it."

"It's part of the British character. I've never seen such madness, such crazy enthusiasm as British soldiers work-up when it comes to a bayonet charge. And some fellows say we're a nation of shopkeepers!"

"You'll spend hours and hours learning the bayonet, which you may never need to use. If you do use it you'll only be in action with it for a matter of minutes."

"But minutes like that win a war."



THE YANKS ARE HUMMING!

"So when I say 'On Guard!' I want to see your rifle fly up. I want to see your left arm slightly bent, and your fingers go white round the small of the butt, and a determined expression on your faces."

"And give that dummy hell! Go through it! Left arm forward, right arm against the butt—it's the boxing attitude, get it?—and boxing is an Englishman's sport."

"And when I say 'Point!' let me see those pig-stickers jump forward so fast that my eye can't follow them! Just a three or four-inch jab in the throat is all any man needs."

"Now. On Guard! As you were. On Guard! As you were. ON GUARD! Better. Now. Point and remain! As you were."

"Smarter yet—point and remain! Better. Withdraw and remain! Pass through."

The lad from the Elephant says: "Ow can you see our bayonets jump forward so fast your eye can't follow them? If your eye can't follow them..."

He catches the Sergeant's eye and shuts up.

When Is An Alien Not An Alien?

WHEN is an alien not an alien? While he is a member of his Majesty's Forces, or of an Allied force engaged in war on the side of Britain, or a foreign force maintained for service in association with Britain.

An Order in Council has been issued to this effect, but power is reserved for the Home Secretary to modify it if necessary.

MATSUOKA UNDER NAZI GUIDANCE

ENGLISH PRESS ON JAPAN'S FATAL POLICY OF FORCIBLE EXPANSION

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—An article in "The Times" entitled "Japanese Policy Adrift" sums up the trend of Japanese foreign policy in recent years. It begins on the night of September 18, 1931, when Japan in Manchuria set out on the long road which so far has shown no turning though her leaders are acquiring a certain dexterity in persuading the Japanese public and to a lesser extent the world, that the effect usually precedes the cause.

First they shaped shadows which events cast before them, and then created the events themselves, and by that process ultimately proved, at any rate to their own satisfaction, the justice of the action they thereupon felt inevitably called to take.

At the time of the Manchurian incident, the world was caught napping, and was not yet alive to the new technique which has since become commonplace.

Even Hitler did not disdain to borrow from the Japanese when he began to be threatened by small nations and over ran them in self-defence.

The Manchurian incident was also responsible for the formation of the habit of inventing military slogans. In 1931 much was heard of the "Thirty million oppressed people of Manchuria." Round figures readily roll off the tongues of Japanese orators.

But in due course the feeling of oppression was allegedly being removed from thirty million Manchurians, and one began to hear a good deal about the oppressed millions in China, who ran to much larger, but nevertheless, round figures.

It is entirely without significance that now we are beginning to hear of the oppressed people of Indo-China, Malaya, Burma, etc. (In round figures) growing under the yoke of the white man.

Weighing Matsuoka Words. The recent speech of the Japanese Foreign Minister before the Diet was full of slogans, and Mr Matsuoka had not gone very far before, quite gratuitously, he alleged that accounts of the Italian reverses (which the Italians admit to themselves) were malicious propaganda.

He was cordial to the Axis, placatory to the Soviet Union, formally friendly to the South American States, and vaguely menacing to Indo-China, Thailand, and the Netherlands East Indies.

But the significance of the speech was that there emerged the unmistakable shadow of encirclement by the British Empire and the United States, and one can almost hear the voice of Germany.

The British Empire is engaged in the greatest struggle of all time with a powerful, tenacious foe, and the U.S.A. whose main and publicly declared endeavour is to assist the Empire in the struggle, can nevertheless spare time and trouble to encircle Japan.

It is hardly credible, but anyone who believes Germany, and there is some reason to believe leaders of Japan to-day do, will believe anything. Is the shadow of encirclement the shadow that precedes events; is the event, in its turn, of a shape which will call for action, just and inevitable? It would all be in accordance with the technique described in the first paragraph of this article, yet it seems hardly credible that Japan would resort to so disastrous and suicidal a course.

Japan And Versailles. The war of 1914-18 offered unparalleled opportunities for the expansion of trade. As a signatory to the Treaty of Versailles (a fact conveniently overlooked both by Germany and Japan), Japan benefited by the fruits of victory and secured among other things, a mandate over the German Marshall and Caroline Islands, details of whose administration and development she has been curiously reluctant to divulge to the world at large for some time past.

As a result of enormous sacrifice of blood and treasure by the Allies, compared with which the drain on Japan's own resources was infinitesimal, she enjoyed years of great prosperity and

peace and ordered government and growing world trade.

The speculative tendency of Japanese finance meant that the great slump in 1929 struck Japan even more severely than most other nations, but the fashion was then not so prevalent of blaming others for one's own ills, and until the autumn of 1931, she pursued a sane, if arduous, policy of trying to restore her trade and financial position by normal means.

The Chinese Market. She did more: she pursued an inevitably right policy of trying to cultivate Chinese friendship. This was the only way she could hope to secure that large share of the Chinese market which close proximity and cheap manufactures would entitle her. But the long record of Sino-Japanese animosity, dating particularly from the war of 1894-5 and the 21 demands of 1915, were not easily eradicated.

The virtues of the patient persistence which won Japan the respect of other countries in bygone days tended to be obscured during the rapid rise of a nation of ambitious materialism. This gave certain elements in the Army an opportunity in 1931 to attempt a shortcut to prosperity.

Japan was launched upon the path of aggression, and opposed to that of conciliation, and the settlement of disputes by force instead of negotiation.

Stepping Stones. When Manchuria had fallen and a puppet regime established, it became clear as early as 1935 that China proper, or at any rate North China, formed the next stepping stone of the Japanese.

The expansion of hostilities began in 1937 and has continued nearly four years. It has caused suffering to millions of people and it has led to the occupation of all ports of China and many great cities, but it has not yet brought Japan what she has sought, nor has it altered the will of the Chinese people to be masters of their own destiny.

The Japanese public did not suppose for a moment that the campaign against China would be anything but a short and glorious affair. To explain the prolongation of the conflict it became necessary to lay the blame on somebody, and while many were blaming the fashion grew of portraying Great Britain as the chief villain of the piece.

Britain's Elimination. This was more natural because Britain has wider interests and associations in China than any other Power. Her elimination, therefore, was the primary objective in the eventual elimination of all western influence from China. While the sympathy of the British people has in the main been with the Chinese and while like other countries Britain has rendered certain material assistance, neither sympathy nor such limited assistance would in itself have been responsible for the vigour of the Chinese resistance; for this Japan can claim the credit.

By attempting to dominate China, she has aroused in the Chinese nation a unity, will to resist and a combative spirit which had never previously been seen in a normally peace-loving people. What Japan has aroused she seeks to quell; perhaps it is not surprising if she seeks to lay the blame elsewhere.

Opportunity of This War. With the apparent impasse in China, the war in Europe appeared to present possibilities to Japan. During the preliminary inactivity she was content to remain passive but when at the end of June, 1940, Germany could claim to have over-run and conquered Poland, Denmark, Norway, Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg and France, there was surely proof, if proof was ever needed, that aggression does pay.

Japan changed government and the new government, of which Mr Yosuke Matsuoka has been the spokesman, after a little preliminary hesitation, signed a pact with Germany and Italy, openly ranging Japan with Britain's enemies, and threatening the U.S.A. if she dared to intervene.

It was perhaps a pity that already by the time the pact was signed, it became apparent that the immediate overthrow of Great Britain promised by Hitler to the world at large and Japan in particular was unlikely.

U.S.A. Causes Hesitation. When this fact became patent and at the same time the U.S.A. displayed the most lively and apparently unexpected reactions to the pact, there was indeed a degree of hesitation in Japan and the world was puzzled to learn one moment that the pact did not mean what it said, and the next that it meant precisely that.

But Germany was at hand and whispered in Japan's ear that all was well; that the U.S.A. was not ready for war and could be frightened with a few sturdy threats; that Britain's destruction was deferred only to make it more effective.

Hitler Creates Party To Withstand Petain

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—The official announcement by Vichy that Admiral Darlan has left for Paris crowns a day of conflicting rumours in connection with his intentions and whereabouts.

During Monday morning, the Swiss radio stated that he had gone to Paris—a statement which was supported later by the Budapest radio which added that Admiral Darlan had been informed by the German authorities that further conversations would be useless until Vichy clearly realised the position created by the establishment of the National Rally Party in occupied France.

Subsequent reports suggested that Admiral Darlan hoped to find a mean between the Vichy Government and the new National Party.

The success or otherwise of Darlan's efforts in Paris may conceivably have an important bearing on the immediate European developments.

Men In New Party. LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—Leaders of the new Nazi-inspired party in Paris, the Rassemblement National Populaire, were attacked to-night by the Lyons radio which was emphatic that the party had no connection with the organisation of National Revolution formed under the patronage of Marshal Petain.

"We are obliged to place on record the qualities of the men who form this assembly. Among them are Guy and Rie, who have ceaselessly opposed the Marshal's Government. The presence will also be noted of Delong, head of the Cagoulards (thoed men). Finally the support of a number of Freemasons may be noted."

BOMBER FUND RAFFLE

The latest addition to the prize list in the Bomber Fund is a Canteen Set purchased from Messrs Lane, Crawford Ltd., and donated by Messrs Moller's (Hongkong) Ltd. The set, manufactured by Messrs Harrison Bros. & Howson, Sheffield, Cutlery to H. M. King George V, consists of 6 fish knives and forks; 6 cheese knives and forks; 6 pr. meat carvers; 1 pr. fish carvers; 1 pr. meat carvers; 6 dessert spoons; 6 dessert forks; 6 soup spoons; 4 serving spoons; 6 coffee spoons and 1 sharpener. The value is £230.

Chungking Sympathy With Terrorist Victim

CHUNGKING, Feb. 4 (Central News).—Central government authorities expressed deep sympathy and regret over the death of Mr. Chin Hua-ling, Editor of the "Shun Pao" in Shanghai, who was shot dead yesterday afternoon.

They highly praised his courage in continuing his newspaper work in Shanghai though blacklisted by the Wang Ching-wei regime.

Mass Arrests Follow Rumania's Bloody Week

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—Five thousand arrests have been made in Rumania in a comb-out by the police following the recent Iron Guard revolt, according to the Bucharest radio. The police are still searching for arms in the homes of persons who took part in the revolt.

Over 100 lorry-loads of goods looted during the revolt have been recovered by the authorities.

The Bucharest radio adds that assurances of fidelity to General

German Raids On Britain

One Bomber Destroyed

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—Raids were made by several enemy aircraft flying singly over the east and south-east coast of Britain during this morning and afternoon.

Bombs were dropped at several places in London, in East Anglia and in Kent. Some damage was done and a few people were killed in a Kent coast town.

An enemy bomber was shot down by R.A.F. fighters over the Essex coast this afternoon.

Reports from various sources suggest that all the crew of the destroyed German bomber perished.

Over London, raiders indulged in indiscriminate bombing and the raids generally appeared to have no particular objective beyond creating a nuisance.

Spitfire's Effective Cannon

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—A German bomber was shot down in the Thames estuary off the coast of Essex this afternoon, and was badly damaged by the fire of the cannon-equipped Spitfire that the flying pieces of wreckage completely blinded the Spitfire pilot who had to dive clear of debris in order to ensure his own safety.

The raid was a twin-engined Heinkel. It was sighted at 3,000 ft by the Spitfire pilot who was flying a thousand feet below. The Spitfire climbed up and crept to within 50 yards of the German plane before opening fire.

"The result was amazing," he said. "I hadn't given him more than a two-second burst when pieces of the bomber flew off like chips from a log and so blinded me that I had to stop firing and dodge out of the way. When I could see again the bomber was on the way down, and two of the crew had baled out."

It had a good look at it as it was going down, and the fuselage had some terrific holes in it.

The raider's crash into the sea was confirmed by the leader of another section of Spitfires in the vicinity. He also saw two members of the crew baled out and fall into the sea.

In the excitement of the combat, the Spitfire pilot left the radio transmitter in the "on" position, and listeners at the base plainly heard much of the shouted exclamations of triumph, such as "I've got him," followed by a pause, and then, "Hell's bells, he's all gone to pieces."

Bombs Dropped

LONDON, Feb. 3 (UP).—A single German plane dropped incendiary bombs during London's night alarm. The bombs were immediately extinguished.

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Chinese Reports From South Honan Front

LOYANG, Feb. 3 (Central News).—The Japanese troops engaged in a northward drive in south Honan have suffered serious losses.

Their central column attacking Siping on the Peiping-Hankow Railway has been subjected to heavy pounding by the Chinese and the casualties number thousands.

To the east of the Peiping-Hankow Railway a Japanese column pushing northward from Shanghai suffered severe casualties.

Severe fighting raged for five days at Shangkow and Shanglien. The Chinese captured more than 100 heavy and light machine-guns, 1,200 rifles and 300 army horses.

The Japanese pushing westward from Paoanyi to Fancheng are now retreating southward. The Chinese have recaptured Fancheng, Paoanyi, Tushuchen and Chauchukang.

Shangfeng, a town north of Wuyang, west of the Peiping-Hankow Railway, which was occupied by the Japanese, was recaptured by the Chinese last night. The Japanese beat a retreat to Wuyang.

West Chekiang Front. WEST CHEKIANG, FRONT, Feb. 3 (Central News).—Chinese troops succeeded in forcing an entry into Changning on the west bank of the Taihu Lake on January 31. Areas to

WHAT STOMACH SUFFERERS CAN EAT

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Losses And Thefts

Mr S. F. Balfour reports that between February 2 and 3 some one entered his bungalow at Aberdeen and stole money, clothing and jewelry to the value of £250.

Bdm. Jordan of the Royal Scots has reported to the Police the loss of an abco, valued at \$320, between February 1 and 3.

Mr E. Devaux of Fanning reported to the Police yesterday that articles, valued at \$62, were stolen from his car which was parked at Ping Shan.

London's Biggest Cross-Crater Bridge

LONDON, Feb. 3 (British Wire- less).—The Lord Mayor of London to-day opened London's largest cross-crater bridge, which the Royal Engineers and men of the Pioneer Corps have worked day and night to complete.

"I thank you on behalf of the citizens of London," said Sir George Wilkinson. "I should like to tell you how impressed I had been with the way you have worked. You have shown a magnificent spirit—a spirit that is going to win war."


U. S. National Debt

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (UP).—The House Ways and Means Committee to-day approved the Bill to increase the national debt limit from \$49,000,000,000 to \$59,000,000,000.

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"R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments

Reflections On K.C.C. - H.K.C.C. Match

Indians' Handicap

OWING to the vagaries of our climate, I have spent a couple of days in bed since I published my accounts of the H.K.C.C. and K.C.C. match and I have had time to reflect on it. I have in consequence rather altered my opinion of the K.C.C. batting, and while I still think it an extremely powerful batting side against bad bowling, I have begun to doubt its soundness.

I do not include Donald Anderson in this statement as I think he just had a bad match. The point that I take is this: In each innings the only serious stand was made between Teddy Fincher and Mackay. But when the batting order was examined it appeared at once that they came together.

Baker and Perry had been bowling for some time. Their first energy was passed and the shine was off the ball. In each case a change of bowling came soon, and the two batsmen had very little difficulty in dealing with the mediocre small change which the Club could call upon.

True, Alice Pearce had a wonderful over in the second innings, but it is some years since he has been dangerous, though he can get the mugs out better than most. You cannot be the best bat in the Colony and one of its best bowlers at the same time unless you are a sanguinary marvel.

From all this I deduce that the K.C.C. batting appears so strong because it seldom comes up against really good bowling. I trust I shall not give offence when I say this, but I do think this is true of all of them except Anderson and E. C. Fincher.

Lions And Rabbits

THERE was one other interesting thought that came into my mind, and that was why Civil Servants, when playing as members of the Club, behave like lions and then go off to play for C.S.C.C. and behave like (I will not insult lambs) complete rabbits.

It has been most marked this season. As a general rule in a big game they, with about two members of the regular Club side, carry the game. As an instance one has only to refer to the New Year game where Baker and Perry did most of the bowling in the first innings and Griffiths saved the batting.

It is perhaps a good deal to do with grounds. The C.S.C.C. usually give a good account of themselves on the K.C.C. ground.

C.S.C.C. v. Recreio

MY last paragraph was written chiefly because of a phrase I read which a brother scribe had written—"Club de Recreio"—"surprisingly held to a draw by the Civil Service Cricket Club." Now this may be a very fair statement on the performances of C.S.C.C. qua the Club team. But on paper I am by no means satisfied that the C.S.C.C. have not the better side.

It would be tedious to mention all the names, but in batting at least the side should hold its own. In bowling, perhaps, Recreio have a bulge, though I should call Baker a better bowler than E. L. Gosano and Perry better than any other change the Recreio have.

The Civil Service have no left hander it is true—nor a leg break bowler like H. L. Ozorio. But there is not a lot to choose between the attacks in my mind, and I was only surprised at the draw because the game was played at the Civil Service ground where the team's efforts are usually appalling.

I should like to make it clear that I am not belittling the Recreio players but writing up the potential strength of the Civil Service.

In one department the Recreio have the complete half-nelson on the C.S.C.C. Their fielding is brilliant.

The Play

ATTWELL, who is having a lean patch after his mass of runs, failed, but Dicky Richardson, who had broken his hoodoo against Recreio in a previous non-league game, knocked up 31 and Perry had 20.

Two members of the side who have been badly out of form this year got going. Colledge and Fortescue, and made 29 and 30 not out respectively. I was told by a good judge that he has never seen Fortescue bat better.

Wright, apart from making a splendid catch, hit up 10 in two overs.

I was amazed to hear that in spite of the fact that Baker had pulled a muscle and could not bowl, and that Whitley was away, the

Recreio made no serious attempt to get the runs. They took about half an hour to score the first thirty runs of which Soares only scored eight. This is the more surprising as he is one of the hitting type of batsmen, and usually, if he stops half an hour, he has thirty or more to show for it. G. N. Gosano and M. A. Remedios played good knock.

Richardson wisely kept McLellan and Perry on all the time and they responded nobly, sending down 14 overs apiece.

Kowloon Victory

THE K.C.C. possibly were a little shaken up by their defeat in the China New Year match, and it may have done them good. They met a sporting team in the I.R.C., who, despite the fact that they have only one real bowler, declared at 157 for 8 wickets.

A. H. Madar (41) A. H. Rumjohn (30) and A. R. H. Small (20) all did well at the start of their innings. The K.C.C. batsmen made light of their task, thanks chiefly to Donald Anderson who hit up 74 not out. Minu struggled gallantly and took five of the six wickets that fell, and A. H. Madar kept an end going, but they are sadly in need of a really good bowler to help Minu.

With two good bowlers, the small change they have could eke the attack out much as K.C.C. manage with Lloyd and Francis Zimmerman.

Junior Division

IF only the Civil Service second eleven had done a bit better with the bat they might well have beaten C.C.C., but apart from Ainslie (who, I am glad to see, seems to have emerged from his patch) they did little.

He got 50, and the only other double figure score was 11 by Burrow. Craigengover got 108 for 9 but they were unlucky to lose N. Broadbridge who was hit in the face when he had made 22—going in first. His partner made 21 and U. M. Omar 25—but no one else did much.

Police Two Short

WITH so many calls on their services, the Police are making a gallant struggle to carry on. They managed to get K.C.C. out for 134 with an impressive row of four ducks in the middle of the batting.

Baxter got 67 but the only other double figures were Rapley (24) and E. Curtis (25 not out).

As nearly always, Carey got runs (21) and Tyler who has the makings of a good cricketer made 21. But they—nine of them—were out for a total of 74 runs.

Varsity Beaten

THE I.R.C. rather ran-riot with the bat and ran up 170 for 7 declared against the Varsity who have not quite fulfilled their early promise. For the I.R.C. M. R. Abbas made 69, and I am wondering if he would not be worth a trial in the first. There were four other double figure scores. University had a bad patch at the start, and though Chelliah (30), Mazza (20) and Amptavander and Gill (15 apiece) tried to hold the fort, it could not be done, and they only just managed to fend the hundred up before succumbing.

Another Big Game

I HAVE heard rumours of an attempt to fix up a return between the full strength of H.K.C.C. and the K.C.C. on the ground of the latter team. The Easter holidays fall in the second week in April, which is perhaps a bit late for cricket, but I don't see much chance of fixing things up comfortably before that, what with camps and things. April 12 and 14 would presumably be the dates. I certainly hope that the game will come off.



The Recreio-Army Junior match at Recreio on Saturday. L/Cpl Stoner playing forward to a rather bouncy one.—Ming Yuen.

Paterson Retains Empire Flyweight Title

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—The British and Empire flyweight boxing championship title was at stake in a fight at Nottingham on Saturday night between Jackie Paterson (Glasgow, holder) and Paddy Ryan (Manchester).

Paterson retained his title when he won in the eighth round, the referee stopping the fight.

France Out Of 1941 Tennis Picture

Petra And Pelizza Are German Prisoners

VICHY, Jan. 29 (UP).—Jean Borotra, world famous tennis player, who has been made French Sport Commissary by Marshal Petain, told the United Press in an exclusive interview that until peace is restored in Europe there could be no question of international matches in France.

The "Bouncing Basque," who in 1927, won the Davis Cup for France, at Germantown, with his team composed of Rene Lacoste, Henri Cochet, and Jacques Brugnon, said:

"Since France's star players, Yvon Petra and Henri Pelizza are in German prison camps it would be impossible for France to participate in tennis matches abroad."

"With the 1,800,000 French prisoners scattered throughout Germany and the occupied zone of France," he continued, "and every French family with at least one member in captivity, we do not feel up to playing in public. Thus, France will not be represented at Davis Cup matches next summer. However, there will be French inter-regional championships to be held in Paris on the courts of the Tennis Club de France."

"For the first time in many months," he went on, "I went two weeks ago to the Tennis Club de France to see the French Junior Championships. The youngsters put up a good show and there was some splendid tennis."

Scattered Players
"YVON Petra and Pierre Pelizza are prisoners, while Jacques Brugnon, (one of the Four Horsemen of the 1927 French Davis Cup team), is in America as secretary to a tennis club in Pasadena. Georges Destomieu, another young French Davis Cup star is in Paris and is leaving shortly for Tunis where he accepted a position. Marcel Bernard, who was a Davis Cup hope a few years ago is in Paris as well as Christian Bousquet."

"Henri Cochet, (another of the 1927 'Cup' days), has bought a farm near Paris and devotes most of his time to agricultural life." Henri Cochet still plays tennis in his spare time.

"As for Rene Lacoste," Borotra pursued, "he has accepted to head the French Lawn Tennis Federation, replacing Pierre Gillou, who resigned. However, Gillou will continue in his functions until July 1st when Rene Lacoste will take over."

The Jewish Question
JEAN Borotra, asked whether French Jews would be excluded from tennis championships in future, replied:

"I do not see why they should be excluded and for the moment no such question has been discussed."

World Soccer Cup
KNOWING that Borotra is a football fan and an excellent player, he was asked whether the French football team would participate in the 1942 World Cup which is to be played in South America.

"It is rather improbable," he said, "but if we are at peace we shall be delighted to participate for we cherish good memories of the 1938 'Cup' which was played in France."

Thailand Tennis Praised By Japanese

TOKYO, Feb. 3 (Domei).—The Japanese goodwill tennis players to Thailand, Yasuo Tsuruda, of Kelo University and Sukeyasu Nakahara, of Waseda University, returned here on Sunday.

Highly praising the standard of play in Thailand, the players said: "Japan should exchange players with Thailand more frequently not only for the promotion of friendly relations between the two countries but also for the improvement of its own players. There are many good players in Thailand and we only hope that we shall be able to meet them again."

Tsuruda and Nakahara were in Thailand for two weeks during which time they met the champions of Thailand, winning the singles but losing the doubles.

COLONY CHESS TITLES

First Round Of Senior Tourney To-day

FIRST ROUND matches of the Colony Senior Chess Championship will be played to-day. Though entries this year are not as large as those of 1940, the standard, nevertheless, has not been impaired.

To-day, two former champions, D. E. de Carvalho and C. M. Sequeira meet, while other matches at the Peninsula Hotel are G. S. Coxhead v. E. Zimmerman (runner-up last year) and L. Karpovich v. K. Welsa.

Open Tennis Championships Next Month

The annual Colony's tennis championships, organised by the Hongkong C.C., will commence on March 10. As in previous years, there will be open singles and doubles events. The Committee of the Club has decided that any surplus money resulting from the Tournament will be donated to the Bomber Fund, and in consequence small mementoes, instead of the usual trophies, will be presented to the winners.

Intending competitors are asked to assist the Committee by stating on which days of the week they are unable to play owing to Volunteer or other duties.

Draw For Open Junior Championship

OPENING MATCHES for the Colony Junior Chess Championship will be played on Thursday, February 13. Fifteen entries have been received, and the draw, made last night, resulted as follows:

A. Kurrik v. Un Kwal-yung; A. Morton v. William Lee; R. C. Gardner v. J. Grefalda; V. V. Kolachoff v. J. H. d'Almeida; R. C. Danenberg v. A. Y. Birukoff; To Yu-lau v. J. Tausz; D. Drake v. A. C. Poupard.

The draw for white and black will be announced with the issue of the round by round programme.

The games will be played on Tuesdays and Thursdays on or before the dates set out in the programme. Games adjourned will be completed within a fortnight of the adjournment and all matches will be played at the Peninsula Hotel.

"Lightning" Tourney

A. C. Poupard, with 11½ points out of a possible 18, won the double-round "lightning" chess tournament of the Kowloon Chess Club held on Saturday, R. C. Danenberg and J. Grefalda tied for second place with nine points each.

Fanling Golf

Captain's Cup Qualifiers

The following qualified for the Captain's Cup at Fanling on Sunday: Old Course.—G. T. Harrington, 84-105-67. (12 entries). New Course.—F. A. Redmond, 78-115-67. (eight entries).

Referees' Meeting

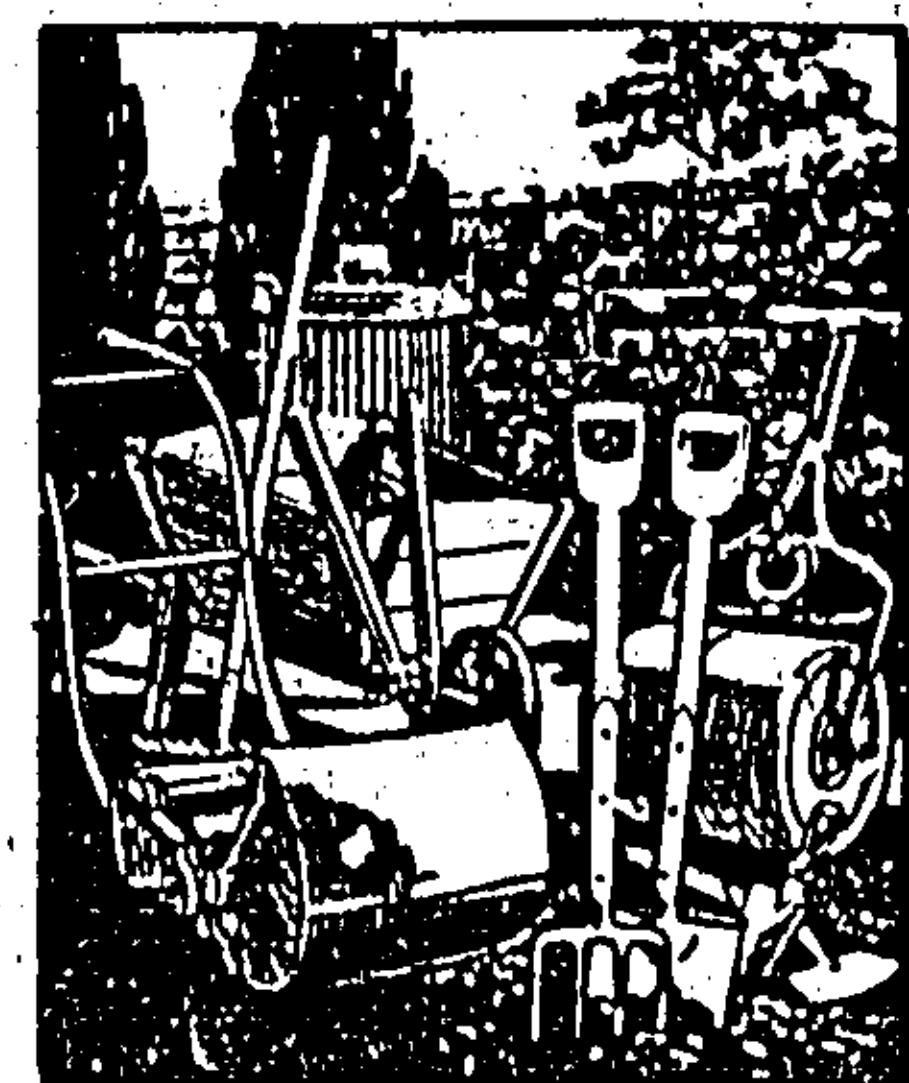
The monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Referees' Association will be held at the Hotel Cecil at 8 p.m. to-day, when a talk on Soccer will be given by one of the members.



GOOD-WILL TOUR.—Dorothy Bundy, tennis champion, receives huge trophy in Buenos Aires after winning women's singles in Argentine tourney, during good-will tour. Mrs. Norman Armour, wife of U. S. Ambassador, presents trophy.

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Success For South African Forces

Two Italian Posts In Abyssinia Occupied

NAIROBI, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—The success of South African forces is described in an official communique which says:

"South African forces have occupied Italian posts at Elgumu and Goral, ten miles inside the Abyssinian border. The Italians lost two officers and 43 bands (native levies) killed, and three officers and 50 bands taken prisoner, together with machine-guns, rifles, arms and ammunition.

"Our casualties were very slight. After this success, the capture of the post of Hobok, seven miles north of the border and west of Goral was reported.

"Active patrolling continues in other sectors."

STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was quietly firm apart from gilt-edged securities and Indian stocks, which eased in the late dealings.

A good demand for home calls was the chief feature while Kaffirs were firmly held despite the Johannesburg incidents.

Diamonds and oils improved as also did Japanese bonds.

Wall Street was irregular.

U. S. Merchant Ships

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—The Senate to-day passed a Bill providing for the construction of 200 merchant ships for which President Roosevelt recently asked Congress.

The Bill has already been passed by the House of Representatives. In a recent message to Congress, President Roosevelt asked for \$313,000,000 to cover the cost of construction of these ships.

TOKYO'S CLAIM ON DUTCH E. I.

Rejected Request Will Be Enforced

TOKYO, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—It is self-evident that Japan will go forward with her fixed policy whatever the attitude the Netherlands East Indies may take towards Japan's request for co-operation in the establishment of a sphere of common prosperity throughout Greater East Asia, states the "Kokumin Shimbun" to-day in a comment on the statement of Mr Naokino Hoshino.

"The establishment of a sphere of common prosperity throughout Greater East Asia could not be completed without incorporating the South Sea region," Mr Naokino Hoshino, President of the Planning Board and Minister without Portfolio, declared in reply to an interpellation at a Committee meeting of the House of Representatives to-day.

Mr Hoshino hinted that the South Sea region forms Japan's "life-line."

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T.T. Batavia	44 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	140 1/2
T.T. Saigon	102 1/2
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30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
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Soviet-Japanese Fisheries Dispute

MOSCOW, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—Steps towards the settlement of the long-standing Russo-Japanese dispute have been taken by the appointment of a joint Soviet-Japanese Commission, consisting of ten members, to negotiate a long-term Fisheries Convention.

Conversations are expected to begin shortly.

Nazi Planes Bomb Italian Prisoners

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Feb. 3 (UP).—The Admiralty announced that two aircraft, believed to have been German, last Friday attacked a merchantman carrying Italian prisoners from Libya, killing and wounding many.

Lively Debate Opens On 'Aid Britain' Bill

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—"Purely a defence measure" was the description applied by Mr Sabath, Chairman of the Rules Committee, in formally opening the debate on the Bill in the House of Representatives.

Mr Hamilton Fish, first Republican speaker, predicted that the United States would be involved in the war in Europe within six months of the Bill being approved unchanged.

A hot discussion was initiated by Representative Dirksen who referred to Lord Halifax's visit on Saturday to Mr Sol Bloom, Chairman of the House of Foreign Relations Committee, who had afterwards stated that he had assured Lord Halifax that the Bill would be passed without any major change.

Mr Dirksen termed this an "extraordinary proceeding" and demanded a report of what happened when Lord Halifax called.

Mr Bloom, with flushed face, replied in a tense voice that the only things mentioned were an exhibition of the Magna Carta and the procedure to be followed in Congress as regards the Bill. He added that Mr Dirksen's question was very improper.

Mr Dirksen replied "Americans' destiny hangs in the balance. This is a proper question."

Idle Danish Shipping

NEW-YORK, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—Thirty-eight Danish ships, totalling over 250,000 tons, now idle in American ports, may, if the United States Government approves, carry cargoes to Britain, says the newspaper, "World Telegram."

Twenty other ships in South American ports may be released, the paper adds.

DESCRIPTION OF BENGHAZI

"Garden Of Hesperides"

In the present Libyan struggle, only half a dozen eastern coastal towns are of much importance. The first among them, from the west, the most prosperous appearing, and in many ways the most beautiful is Benghazi, a district capital. It is a ship and air port, a centre of business, traffic, administration, and colonisation. Its population, which has increased 300 per cent. in 30 years, has reached 65,000.

A majority of the inhabitants are Europeans, who live in a pleasant quarter of white houses, lining wide streets or attractive tree-filled parks. Fresh water abounds, rainfall is usually sufficient, new little villages dot the countryside and fruitful Italian peasants raise delicious fruit from orchards, covering the site of the legendary "Garden of Hesperides."

A few scores of miles eastward along the coast, one comes to the bare, dreary, silent ruins of the greatest Grecian city in ancient times, outside of the Greek Peninsula. It is Cyrene, known as the Athens of Africa. Not fewer than 100,000 people lived in it and among them were world famous merchants, artists, writers, philosophers. The country round about produced much grain and in times of need sent supplies to Greece, itself. Now a few pieces of pillars mount above the desolation to show how men destroy the beautiful things men make.

Fifty miles further east, around the curve of the coast, one comes to the buoyant city of Derna (now in British hands), ever refreshed with flowing water, gay with flowers, verdant with gardens, and rich with fields. This and Benghazi are the only places along hundreds of miles of coast that have always been supplied with water and have been settled through the millennium. Never have desert sands conquered Derna.

Johannesburg Is Quiet Again

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
JOHANNESBURG, Feb. 3 (UP).—The week-end riots have ended and the city is now quiet. Tension decreased when soldiers had their leave cancelled.

Thirty-two civilians were treated at hospitals and eight were detained. One hundred and ninety-eight soldiers were treated and 75 detained. Several police were also hurt.

Training Youth Of Japan

Unique Society

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Feb. 3 (Domei).—Dissatisfaction at the recently concluded Japan Youth Corps under the leadership of the Minister of Education, was expressed by a spokesman of the War Office at this afternoon's meeting of the Lower House committee dealing with the Military Service Law amendment bill.

The spokesman said that the Army desires a unique organization representative of Japan's national policy with students of the Youth School as the nucleus. He further hoped that in future a new organization may be formed by the Youth, National, and Middle Schools and Colleges and Universities perfectly united in intellectual, moral and physical cultures.

Schoolboy Politics Not Wanted
Referring to the connections between the Youth Corps and the National Service Association, the Army authorities do not desire and are strongly opposed to participation in politics by youths who are attending schools. He favoured, however, their participation in the National Service Movement after entering into the social career.

The War Office spokesman pointed out that the War, Navy and Education Ministry authorities are jointly studying plans for making a truly useful organization of youths embodying harmonisation of intellectual, moral and physical cultures.

French Navy To Defend Itself

If Necessary

VICHY, Feb. 3 (UP).—"The Journal" to-day published an interview with Admiral Darlan stating that the French fleet for the present and in the future, would "join under complete French jurisdiction and defend itself, and the Empire, against any challenge whatsoever, and against any attack from any quarter whatsoever."

It also reported that M. Laval may be reinstated as President of the executive triumvirate (comprising Laval, Huntzinger and Darlan) under Marshal Petain, as a result of the negotiations which began in Paris to-day with Hitler's envoys.

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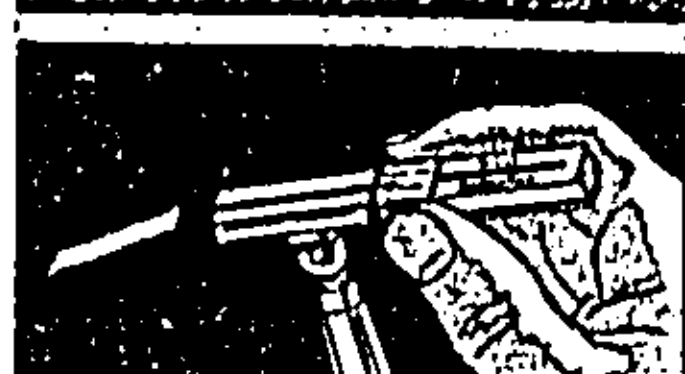
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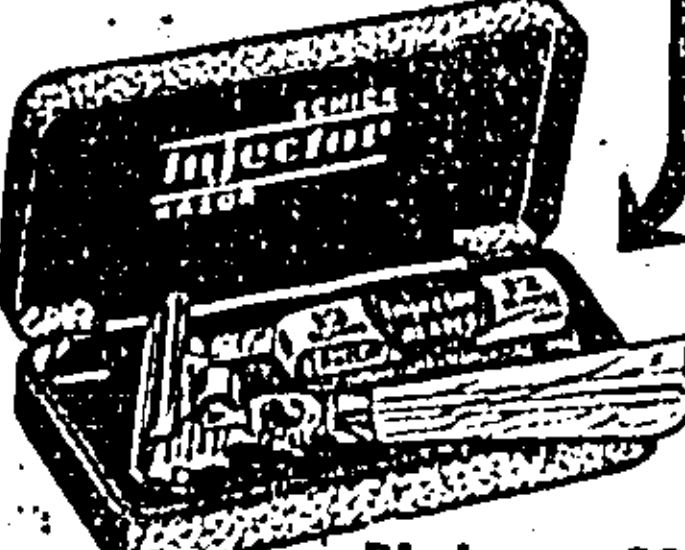


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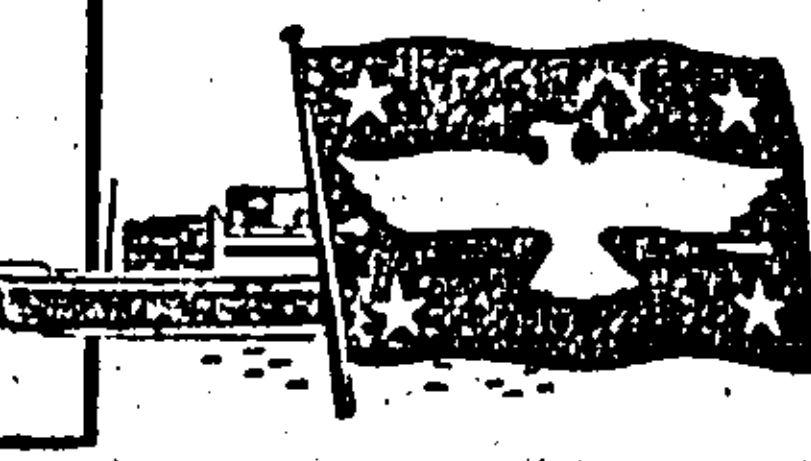
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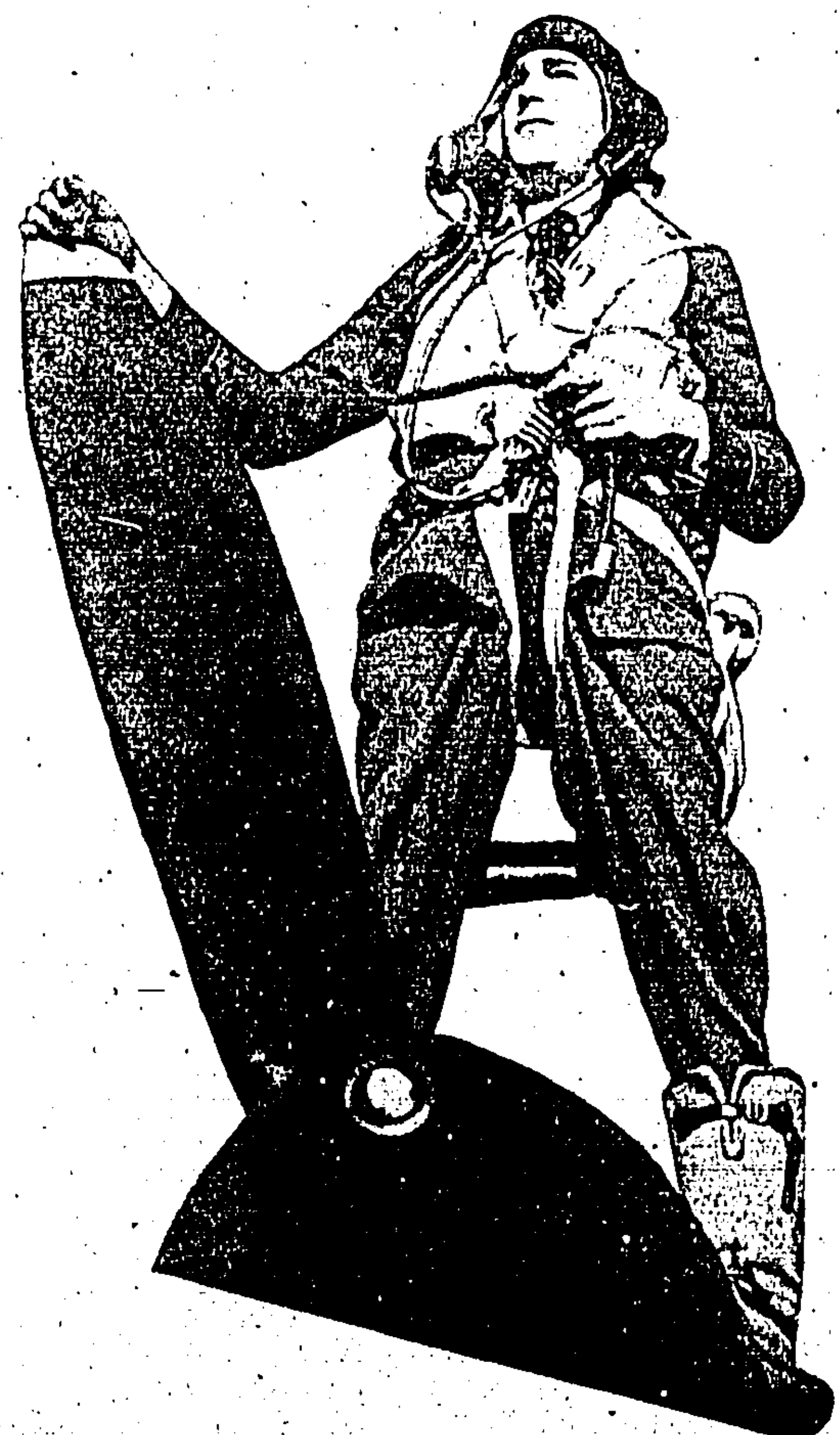
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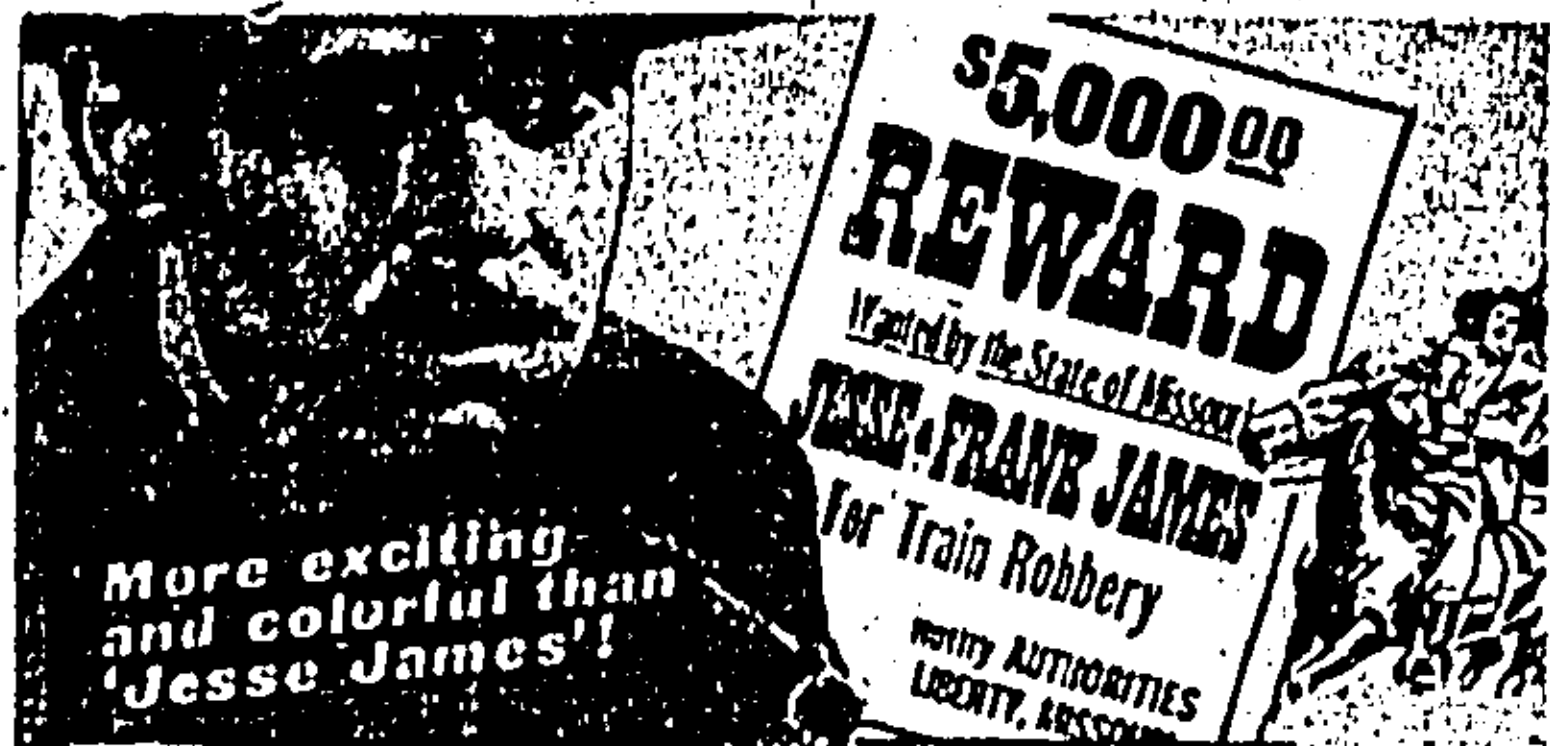
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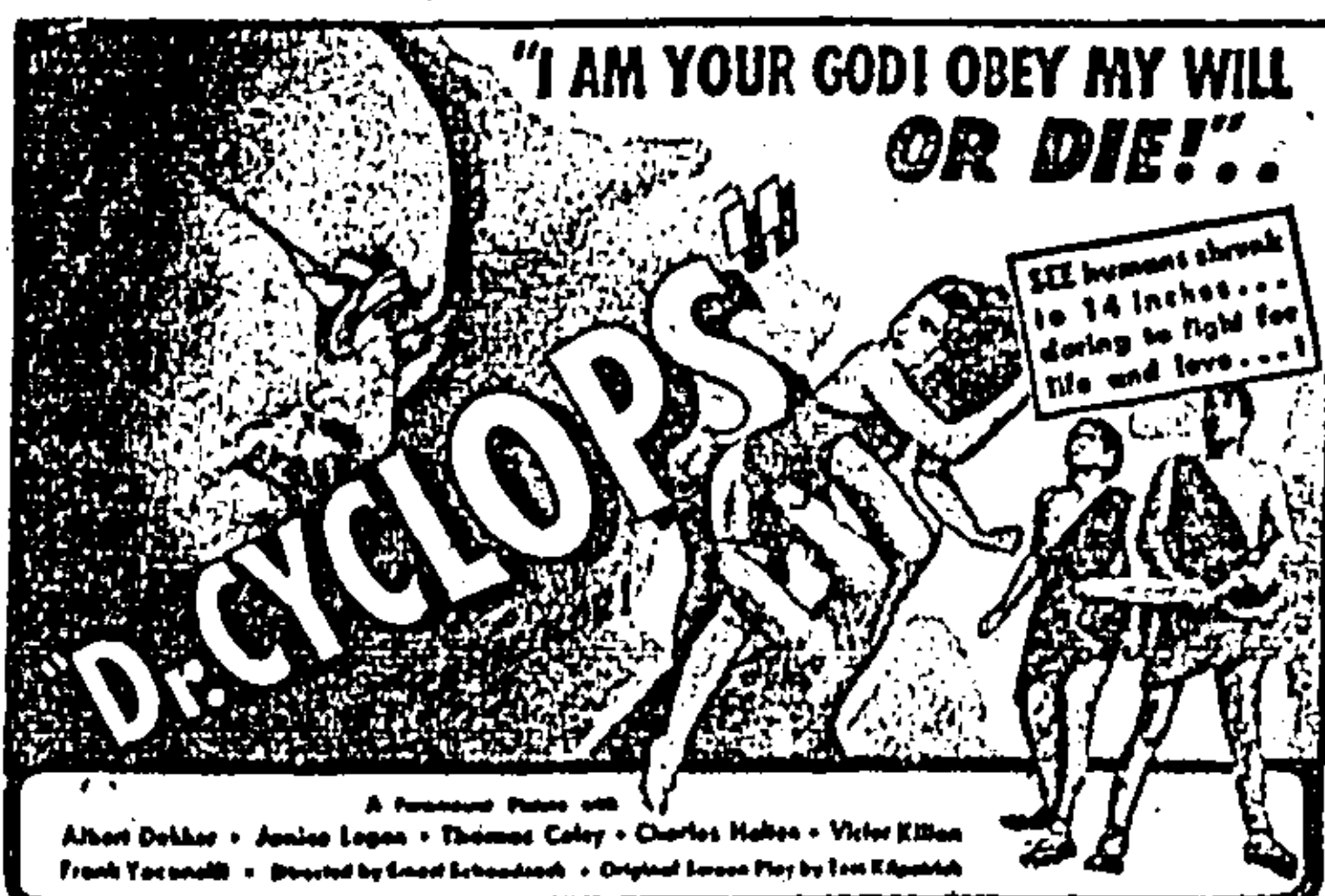
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Bomber Planes Hitting Back: R.A.F. Gaining The Upper Hand

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—"The people of this country have withstood the German onslaught with magnificent courage but they can feel that the Bomber Command is giving like for like," said an R.A.F. senior officer to-day, talking to pressmen in London.

"The Germans in the past have gone into the ring and have put their heavyweights up against bantams and lightweights. Doubtless it was very amusing but Germany will not find it so amusing but more deadly when they realise that they are in the ring with another heavyweight.

Very Good Straight Left
"I think the Bomber Command has already developed a very good straight left and is busy strengthening up a very formidable right."

Dealing with the "awful" of the French coast by British fighters, the officer explained that when the Germans carried the attack into Great Britain, we fought it out in this country, but "as we get stronger, so we will lean out and attack the Germans on their side of the Channel and carry the battle into their country."

Luftwaffe Grounded By Bad Weather
(BY "REUTER'S" AIR CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, Feb. 3 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. fighter sweeps over Occupied France are believed to have met with so little fighter opposition for two reasons.

(1) Because they surprised the German Air Force and (2) because it is probable that a number of German fighter squadrons have been forced to move back from their positions to the advanced aerodromes.

A senior officer of the R.A.F. also stated to-day that it was the opinion of Air Marshal Sir Richard Peirse, Operational Leader of the R.A.F. offensive, that the lulls in the air war in the past fortnight, particularly at night, had been due to the phenomenally bad weather over most of north-west Europe.

Knock-Out Blow
Suggestions that the Nazis are on the defensive due to energy being conserved for a "knock-out" blow are discounted.

Weather conditions have grounded the Luftwaffe squadrons attacking Britain, which are based directly at advanced aerodromes outside Germany.

I gather that the estimates that Germany has a fleet of 18,000 aircraft ready to launch an invasion, with another 18,000 in reserve, have not dismayed the authorities. The total of front line Nazi planes available for any major onslaught is believed in well-informed quarters to be but a proportion of 18,000.

Anglo-Hellenic Culture

Convention Arranged

LONDON, Feb. 3 (British Wire- less).—Closer cultural relations fore-shadowed in the recent preliminary announcement of the British-Hellenic Convention are seen more clearly in details issued to-day.

In addition to an exchange of University Professors and other men of learning, modern Greek is to be regarded as ranking with other major European languages as a possible examination subject at the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge and London, while study of the English language and literature will be facilitated at the Athens University.

The British School of Archaeology, at Athens, established in 1880, will be permitted to function in Greece. Permission for the establishment of new centres will be sought, when desirable, from the Greek Government.

Treatment equally favourable in both countries will be extended to scholars, students and teachers in respect of residence and employment permits, and recognition of either country's degrees and diplomas will be mutual. An interchange is to be made of students and scholars for study, particularly in relation to art and sport, for which travel and residence facilities will be arranged.

The British Council, already established in Athens, will have the right to establish and maintain two primary and one secondary school in Athens.

In order to apply the articles of the Convention to the whole of Greece, Anglo-Hellenic Commissions will be constituted, one in London and one in Athens.

Drove Under Influence Of Drink At Night

J. Barnett, of the Public Works Department, Water Works Office, was fined \$150 by Mr H. G. Sheldon, K.C. at Central Magistracy this morning for driving a private car at Wongnei-chung Road at 8.45 p.m. on January 18 while under the influence of drink to such an extent as to be incapable of having proper control of it.

Barnett pleaded guilty and when asked if he had anything to say he replied in the negative.

Traffic Sergeant Youe said that on that night some Police Reservists on duty at Wongnei-chung Road heard a loud crash and on investigating they found that a car had mounted a pavement and had collided with a telephone pole, knocking it down. The defendant was in the driving seat.

Sergeant Hunter was sent to the scene and he took the defendant to Queen Mary Hospital where he was examined and detained for a night. He was found to be under the influence of drink.

Sergeant Youe said that as far as he knew there was no actual danger to pedestrians at that time but he was instructed to point out that the Police were asking for a serious view to be taken of the case, and for a heavy fine to be imposed.

Bad Parking

C. M. Stark of 274 The Peak, was fined \$10 this morning for parking his car, beyond the white lines of the Pedder Street car park on January 18. The summons was admitted.

Defendant Discharged
L/Bdr A. Shepherd of the Royal Artillery was summoned before Mr Sheldon for failing to stop his car after an accident. He denied the charge.

Traffic-Sergeant Youe said that L/Bdr A. Shepherd was driving a car down Stubbs Road towards Wanchai and when rounding a corner he met a car driven by the defendant and the vehicles collided. L/Bdr's car was damaged.

Testifying, Lai said that he could not recognise the man driving the other car because it did not stop. Saying that there was no evidence to show that the defendant drove the car, Mr Sheldon discharged the defendant.

ENEMY STRAFED POSITIONS

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Twenty-five miles south-west of Apollonia, troops and lorries were machine-gunned at Slonta. Thirteen lorries were destroyed, says an R.A.F. communiqué, which adds that the enemy was on motor transport were made at Maraua and on the road between that place and Gubbis.

An aerodrome at Apollonia was attacked and three Ghiblis—twin-engine general purpose monoplane—and one Caproni bomber were destroyed. Here, also, troops and transport were effectively bombed.

One Fiat biplane was shot down at Cirene, ten miles south of Apollonia.

Skating In Proper Place

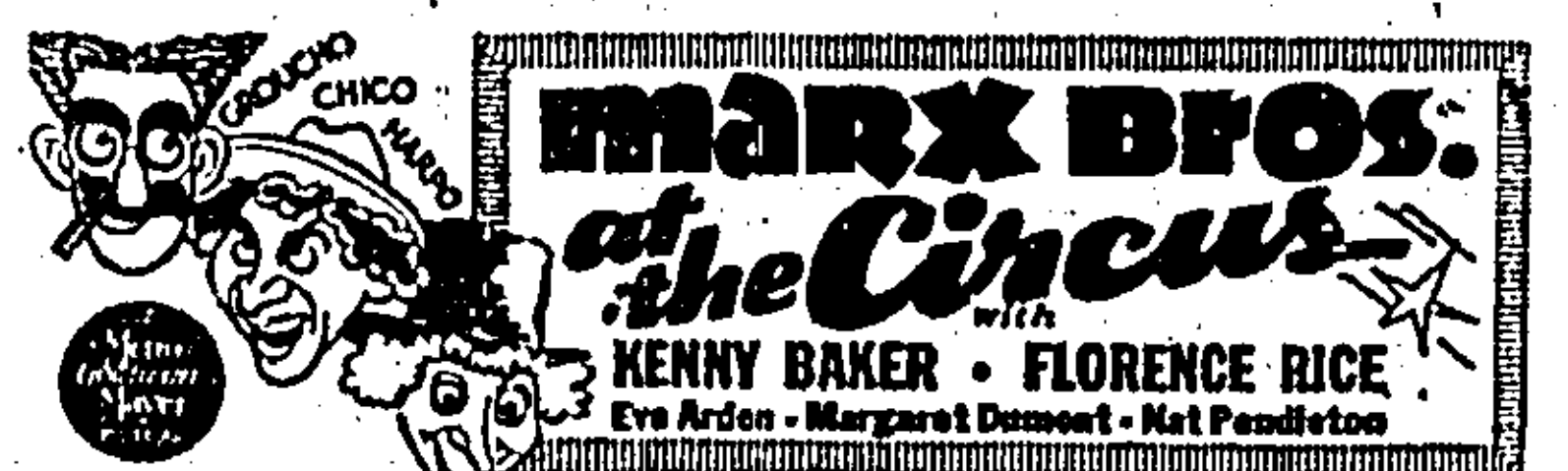
"I do not want to be a sport and prevent you from skating, which is a healthy sport, but you must skate in proper places such as children's playgrounds," said Mr E. Hingworth in the Juvenile Court of the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, addressing a number of children who appeared before him for skating on pavements and causing annoyance to the public.

The children were dismissed with a caution and instructed to have more consideration for pedestrians in future.

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